

HR 8436

Equal Health Care for All Act

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Sep 29, 2020
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Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Sep 29, 2020
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Oct 1, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 29, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 29, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Equal Health Care for All Act

This bill prohibits discrimination in health care based on race, ethnicity, and other characteristics. It also revises reporting requirements, adds equity-related measures to certain Medicare programs, and makes other changes to reduce health disparities.

To enforce the prohibition, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must establish an administrative process to resolve complaints about inequitable health care. HHS must investigate these complaints and mediate agreements to resolve issues. In the event of noncompliance with a mediated agreement, an aggrieved individual may bring a civil action.

Health care providers must also report data in formats that allow disaggregation by demographic factors. HHS must issue proposed regulations to carry out this requirement within 90 days.

Additionally, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) must include measures related to equitable health care in the Medicare value-based purchasing program for hospitals. This program provides incentive payments based on quality of care. The CMS may also exclude providers that furnish inequitable health care from its programs.

In addition, the bill establishes the Federal Health Equity Commission to monitor implementation of the bill and establishes a grant program for hospitals to promote equitable health care.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 1, 2020:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H5120)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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