

HR 8727

Telehealth Modernization Act

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Nov 5, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means

Latest Action: 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. (Nov 5, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Nov 5, 2020
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Nov 5, 2020
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Nov 17, 2020
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Nov 17, 2020
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Dec 3, 2020
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		Dec 3, 2020
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Dec 3, 2020
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Dec 3, 2020
Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Dec 3, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 5, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 5, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4375	Identical bill	Jul 30, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S4635-4636)

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This bill modifies requirements relating to coverage of telehealth services under Medicare.

Specifically, the bill extends certain flexibilities that were initially authorized during the public health emergency relating to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019). Among other things, the bill allows (1) rural health clinics and federally qualified health centers to serve as the distant site (i.e., the location of the health care practitioner); (2) the home of a beneficiary to serve as the originating site (i.e., the location of the beneficiary) for all services (rather than for only certain services); and (3) all types of practitioners to furnish telehealth services, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Actions Timeline

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