

## HR 8913

### COVID–19 in Immigration Detention Data Transparency Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Dec 9, 2020
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Dec 14, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 9, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 9, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 9, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Immigration

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 4984	Identical bill	Dec 9, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## **COVID-19 in Immigration Detention Data Transparency Act**

This bill requires U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) to collect and report various information about detained individuals, including data on COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) testing.

During the COVID-related declared public health emergency and for one year after, ICE, CBP, and ORR shall publicly post on a website certain data about its detention facilities, including COVID-19 testing numbers for detained individuals and detention facility staff, COVID-19 case outcomes, and COVID-related information about detained individuals who were released or removed from the United States.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shall issue guidance as to the COVID-related data that ICE, CBP, and ORR must collect and report weekly to the CDC. The CDC shall periodically report to Congress a summary of this data and an analysis of the trends and pattern of the spread of the disease.

ICE, CPB, and ORR shall also ensure that each detained individual receives all medical records related to any COVID-19 test administered to the individual.

ICE, CPB, and ORR shall also report to Congress on (1) the COVID-19 safety protocols in their facilities, and (2) their efforts to ensure that each detained individual has access to legal counsel.

This bill's data collection and reporting requirements that apply to ICE, CPB, and ORR shall also apply to any contract facilities that they use to hold detained individuals.

### **Actions Timeline**

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