

HR 1235

Charlotte Woodward Organ Transplant Discrimination Prevention Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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| Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6] | D · CO | | Nov 18, 2021 |
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| Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6] | D · MD | | Nov 23, 2021 |
| Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2] | R · NE | | Dec 2, 2021 |
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| Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10] | D · VA | | Dec 13, 2021 |
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| Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20] | D · NY | | Mar 29, 2022 |
| Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8] | D · MA | | Aug 12, 2022 |
| Rep. Sempolinski, Joseph [R-NY-23] | R · NY | | Oct 25, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Feb 24, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 S 3301 | Related bill | Dec 2, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. |

Summary (as of Feb 23, 2021)

Charlotte Woodward Organ Transplant Discrimination Prevention Act

This bill expressly prohibits health care providers and other entities involved in matching donated organs with recipients from denying or restricting an individual's access to organ transplants solely on the basis of the individual's disability, except in limited circumstances.

Specifically, these entities may consider an individual's disability when making decisions about transplants only if a physician finds, based on an individualized evaluation, that the individual's physical or mental disability is medically significant to the provision of the transplant. A disability shall not be considered medically significant if the individual has an adequate support system in place to comply with transplant-related medical requirements.

These entities must also make reasonable changes to their policies to make transplants and related care more available to individuals with disabilities.

Aggrieved individuals may bring claims of discrimination to the Office of Civil Rights of the Department of Health and Human Services or before a federal court. The bill provides for expedited resolutions of these claims.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 23, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 23, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.