

HR 1235

Charlotte Woodward Organ Transplant Discrimination Prevention Act

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Sponsor

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Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Apr 8, 2021
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Apr 8, 2021
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Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		May 11, 2021
Rep. Bush, Cori [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8]	R · MN		Jun 4, 2021
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Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jun 23, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jun 25, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Jul 9, 2021
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Jul 9, 2021
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Sep 7, 2021
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Sep 30, 2021
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Nov 1, 2021
Rep. Cammack, Kat [R-FL-3]	R · FL		Nov 15, 2021
Rep. Brooks, Mo [R-AL-5]	R · AL		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Nov 18, 2021
Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Nov 23, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Nov 23, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Dec 2, 2021
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Dec 2, 2021
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Dec 8, 2021
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Dec 13, 2021
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Jan 6, 2022
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Jan 6, 2022
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Jan 12, 2022
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Feb 3, 2022
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Mar 2, 2022
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
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 24, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
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.