

## HRES 1286

Expressing the sentiment of Congress that the Department of Health and Human Services should declare the monkeypox outbreak a public health emergency.

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Jul 26, 2022)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 26, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Jul 26, 2022)

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This resolution recommends that the Department of Health and Human Services declare a public health emergency to respond to the spread of monkeypox in countries, including the United States, where the disease is not endemic. (Monkeypox is a viral disease that is endemic to parts of Africa and causes symptoms similar to, but less severe than, smallpox.)

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 26, 2022:** Introduced in House
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