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Rural MOMS Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM]	D · NM		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 29, 2021
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		May 12, 2021
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 25, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 8, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 769	Related bill	Feb 4, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Rural Maternal and Obstetric Modernization of Services Act or the Rural MOMS Act

This bill expands initiatives to address maternal health in rural areas.

The bill requires the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to establish rural obstetric networks. These networks must foster collaboration to improve birth outcomes and reduce maternal morbidity in rural areas. HRSA also must award demonstration grants to medical schools and other health professional training programs to support education and training on maternal health in rural areas.

In addition, the bill incorporates maternal health services in certain telehealth grant programs. It also revises various research and other activities of the Department of Health and Human Services that pertain to maternal health.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 8, 2021:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Murray with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Jun 8, 2021:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 70.
- **May 25, 2021:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 29, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 29, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.