

HR 1558

Child Poverty Reduction Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support. (Mar 3, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]

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

Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Mar 26, 2021
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Apr 13, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 12, 2021
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Nov 2, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Dec 14, 2021
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Dec 14, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Mar 7, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 3, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 3, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 643	Identical bill	Mar 9, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Mar 3, 2021)

Child Poverty Reduction Act of 2021

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Census Bureau to take certain actions with respect to poverty measures and data related to child poverty. It also requires the National Academy of Sciences to report annually on child poverty and study other issues, such as policies to reduce intergenerational poverty.

Specifically, HHS must enter into an agreement with the Census Bureau to annually report an anchored supplemental poverty measure for individuals under the age of 18 and must otherwise collaborate with the bureau to, for example, correct income data to account for underreporting.

Currently, the Census Bureau uses the official poverty measure (based on cash resources) and the supplemental poverty measure (based on both cash and certain noncash resources, such as nutrition assistance program benefits) to measure poverty. Anchoring the supplemental poverty measure fixes the poverty threshold at a given point in time and then adjusts it for inflation.

HHS must publish resources on its website related to child poverty, and the Census Bureau must release certain economic and survey data at the same time it releases a specific report related to income, poverty, and health insurance coverage in the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Mar 3, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.

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