

S 1679

Allied Health Workforce Diversity Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (May 18, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 18, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 18, 2021
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Nov 18, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 18, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4486	Related bill	Jun 23, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
117 HR 3320	Related bill	Dec 8, 2021: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 155.

Summary (as of May 18, 2021)

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This bill allows the Department of Health and Human Services to provide grants to accredited education programs to increase diversity in the physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, audiology, and speech-language pathology professions. Grants may be used to provide scholarships or to support recruitment and retention of students from underrepresented groups.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
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