

## HR 1720

### COVID-19 Medical Production Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. (Mar 9, 2021)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Mar 9, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 9, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 1319	Related bill	Mar 11, 2021: Became Public Law No: 117-2.

### Summary (as of Mar 9, 2021)

#### COVID-19 Medical Production Act

This bill provides additional funding for FY2021 to acquire medical supplies, vaccines, and other equipment to combat COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) using authorities under the Defense Production Act of 1950. That act confers on the President a broad set of authorities to influence domestic industry to provide essential materials and goods for the national defense.

This funding is available through FY2025. Beginning in FY2023, it may be used to meet public health needs to address any pathogen determined by the President to have the potential to create a public health emergency.

## Actions Timeline

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