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TIKES Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 25, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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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 6000	Related bill	Jan 4, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.
117 HR 1397	Identical bill	Feb 27, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Telehealth Improvement for Kids' Essential Services Act or the TIKES Act

This bill requires several agencies to promote and evaluate the use of telehealth under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Specifically, the bill requires (1) the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to issue guidance to states on ways to increase access to telehealth; (2) the Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission to study the impact of telehealth on health care access, utilization, costs, and outcomes; and (3) the Government Accountability Office to evaluate federal interagency collaboration with respect to the provision of telehealth services to individuals under the age of 18.

Actions Timeline

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