

HR 2116

CROWN Act of 2022

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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| Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4] | D · GA | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6] | D · GA | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7] | D · MD | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2] | D · CO | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5] | D · PA | | Sep 21, 2021 |
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| Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33] | D · TX | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3] | D · OR | | Sep 22, 2021 |
| Rep. Carter, Troy [D-LA-2] | D · LA | | Sep 22, 2021 |
| Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9] | D · NJ | | Sep 22, 2021 |
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| Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11] | D · VA | | Sep 23, 2021 |
| Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7] | D · WA | | Sep 23, 2021 |
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| Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29] | D · TX | | Sep 28, 2021 |
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| Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33] | D · CA | | Sep 28, 2021 |
| Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18] | D · NY | | Sep 28, 2021 |
| Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2] | D · MA | | Sep 28, 2021 |
| Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6] | D · NJ | | Sep 28, 2021 |
| Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13] | D · OH | | Sep 28, 2021 |
| Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6] | D · NC | | Sep 29, 2021 |
| Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5] | D · IL | | Sep 29, 2021 |
| Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8] | D · MD | | Sep 29, 2021 |
| Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2] | D · PA | | Sep 30, 2021 |
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| Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8] | D · NJ | | Oct 5, 2021 |
| Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11] | D · NJ | | Oct 19, 2021 |
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| Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5] | D · TN | | Oct 21, 2021 |
| Rep. Brown, Shontel M. [D-OH-11] | D · OH | | Nov 15, 2021 |
| Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1] | D · WA | | Jan 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1] | D · ME | | Jan 28, 2022 |
| Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7] | D · NJ | | Feb 1, 2022 |
| Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3] | D · NJ | | Feb 22, 2022 |
| Rep. Bourdeaux, Carolyn [D-GA-7] | D · GA | | Feb 25, 2022 |
| Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick, Sheila [D-FL-20] | D · FL | | Feb 25, 2022 |
| Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3] | D · CA | | Feb 25, 2022 |
| Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4] | D · VA | | Feb 25, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Budget Committee | House | Discharged From | Feb 25, 2022 |
| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Discharged From | Feb 25, 2022 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Oct 19, 2021 |
| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Mar 21, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|--------------|----------------------|---|
| 117 HRES 979 | Procedurally related | Mar 16, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |
| 117 S 888 | Related bill | Mar 22, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2022)

Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair Act of 2022 or the CROWN Act of 2022

This bill prohibits discrimination based on a person's hair texture or hairstyle if that style or texture is commonly associated with a particular race or national origin. Specifically, the bill prohibits this type of discrimination against those participating in federally assisted programs, housing programs, public accommodations, and employment.

Persons shall not be deprived of equal rights under the law and shall not be subjected to prohibited practices based on their hair texture or style.

The bill provides for enforcement procedures under the applicable laws.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 21, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
- **Mar 18, 2022:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 979. (consideration: CR H3833-3842)
- **Mar 18, 2022:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 963 and H.R. 2116. The rule provides for one hour of general debate on both H.R. 963 and H.R. 2116.
- **Mar 18, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 2116.
- **Mar 18, 2022:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Mar 18, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 235 - 189 (Roll no. 82).
- **Mar 18, 2022:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 235 - 189 (Roll no. 82). (text: CR H3833-3834)
- **Mar 18, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 16, 2022:** Rule H. Res. 979 passed House.
- **Mar 15, 2022:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 979 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 963 and H.R. 2116. The rule provides for one hour of general debate on both H.R. 963 and H.R. 2116.
- **Feb 28, 2022:** Mr. Nadler moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Feb 28, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1160-1166)
- **Feb 28, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2116.
- **Feb 28, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Feb 28, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1172-1173)
- **Feb 28, 2022:** Failed of passage/not agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 235 - 188 (Roll no. 48). (text: CR H1160-1162)
- **Feb 28, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 235 - 188 (Roll no. 48). (text: CR H1160-1162)
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 117-252, Part I.
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Committee on Education and Labor discharged.
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Committee on the Budget discharged.
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 182.
- **Oct 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Sep 30, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 30, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute by the Yeas and Nays: 23 - 15.
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and the Budget, 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.