

## HR 2166

Ensuring Parity in MA and PACE for Audio-Only Telehealth Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 24, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]

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

**Cosponsors** (51 total)

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Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 23, 2021
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Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Mar 23, 2021
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Mar 23, 2021
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Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Apr 12, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Apr 12, 2021
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Apr 12, 2021
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		May 11, 2021
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		May 11, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		May 11, 2021
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Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		May 11, 2021
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		May 11, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		May 11, 2021
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Kim, Young [R-CA-39]	R · CA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Jun 15, 2021
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2021
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Sep 29, 2021

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Nov 4, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Mar 1, 2022
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 9, 2022
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 9, 2022
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Apr 14, 2022
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Apr 26, 2022
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		May 27, 2022
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Jun 9, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 24, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 23, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 150	Related bill	<b>Feb 2, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of Mar 23, 2021)

### Ensuring Parity in MA and PACE for Audio-Only Telehealth Act of 2021

This bill allows audio-only diagnoses that are made via telehealth to be used for purposes of determining risk adjustments to payments under Medicare Advantage. Additionally, the bill requires payments for Medicare telehealth services that are furnished during the public health emergency relating to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) to be made in the same amounts as those for in-person services.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 24, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 23, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 23, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 23, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.