

S 3048

Higher Education Mental Health Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Education

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Oct 21, 2021)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Oct 21, 2021
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Oct 21, 2021
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 21, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 21, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 21, 2021
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Dec 6, 2021
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 10, 2022
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 15, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 21, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5654	Related bill	Oct 21, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

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This bill requires the Department of Education to establish an Advisory Commission on Serving and Supporting Students with Mental Health Disabilities in Institutions of Higher Education.

The commission must conduct a study and report on

- services available to students with mental health disabilities in institutions of higher education (IHEs) and the effectiveness of such services in supporting these students;
- the impact of policies and procedures, such as reasonable accommodation and disciplinary policies, that help or hinder the goal of providing equal opportunity to these students;
- the use of protected health information of these students by IHEs;
- the impact of providing mental health services on a student's academic performance, well-being, and ability to complete college;
- conclusions on the major challenges facing these students; and
- recommendations to improve the overall education, retention, and graduation of these students.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 21, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
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