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WIC Healthy Beginnings Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** KS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 17, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Agriculture and Food

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 8450	Related bill	Nov 7, 2022: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 394.
117 HR 7603	Related bill	Apr 27, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Summary (as of Nov 17, 2021)

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This bill requires the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to maintain a publicly available, searchable database that contains solicitations for infant formula bids under the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

Under current law, state agencies must control infant formula costs in the WIC program through competitive bidding for infant formula rebate contracts. The bill requires state WIC agencies to provide USDA with open solicitations for these competitive bids to populate the database.

Actions Timeline

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