

HR 352

Jobs to Fight COVID–19 Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

Introduced: Jan 19, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 2, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

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| Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41] | D · CA | | Jan 19, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 19, 2021 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Feb 2, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Jobs to Fight COVID-19 Act of 2021

This bill requires the Department of Labor to award grants to states and other governmental and native American entities to (1) support the recruitment, placement, and training of—and provide employment to—certain individuals seeking employment in COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) contact tracing and pandemic response positions; and (2) assist with the transition to new employment or education and training of these individuals in preparation for and upon termination of such employment. The employees must be paid at least the required prevailing wage and fringe benefit rates.

In addition, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in coordination with the Department of Health and Human Services and state, local, tribal, and territorial health departments, must establish and implement a national evidence-based system for COVID-19 testing, contact tracing, surveillance, containment, and mitigation. The CDC shall also award grants or contracts to these entities for such activities and to public entities to implement multilingual and culturally appropriate COVID-19 awareness campaigns.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 2, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 19, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.

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