

S 3799

PREVENT Pandemics Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Markup By	Mar 15, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 5327	Related bill	Dec 20, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 HR 8163	Related bill	Oct 11, 2022: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 HR 8481	Related bill	Jul 21, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
117 HR 8151	Related bill	Jun 22, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 HR 7669	Related bill	May 6, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
117 HR 7152	Related bill	Mar 21, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 S 3834	Related bill	Mar 14, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3800	Related bill	Mar 10, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3814	Related bill	Mar 10, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 HR 6980	Related bill	Mar 9, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 S 3588	Related bill	Feb 7, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3569	Related bill	Feb 3, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text: CR S525)
117 S 3566	Related bill	Feb 2, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S497-498)
117 S 3534	Related bill	Jan 31, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3496	Related bill	Jan 13, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3506	Related bill	Jan 13, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3493	Related bill	Jan 12, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S191-192)
117 HR 6363	Related bill	Jan 11, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 S 3476	Related bill	Jan 11, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3477	Related bill	Jan 11, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3479	Related bill	Jan 11, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 S 3449	Related bill	Jan 10, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 HR 6305	Related bill	Dec 17, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 S 3394	Related bill	Dec 14, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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117 S 3395	Related bill	Dec 14, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
117 HR 5626	Related bill	Oct 20, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 HR 5478	Related bill	Oct 6, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 HR 5442	Related bill	Oct 1, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Mar 10, 2022)

Prepare for and Respond to Existing Viruses, Emerging New Threats, and Pandemics Act or the PREVENT Pandemics Act

This bill sets out programs and activities primarily to address public health preparedness and response.

Specifically, the bill establishes a legislative task force to investigate the COVID-19 pandemic and a White House office to advise on pandemic preparedness and response. It also revises authorities, programs, and other aspects of the Department of Health and Human Services and associated agencies to support preparedness and response activities at all levels of government.

Other matters addressed in the bill include

- grants related to health disparities and for centers for public health preparedness;
- collection and dissemination of public health data (e.g., genomic sequencing of pathogens);
- workforce programs for public health and related fields;
- the safety and availability of the blood supply;
- research concerning viruses and other pathogens with pandemic potential, vaccines and other medical countermeasures, and the long-term health effects of COVID-19;
- biosafety and security related to biological agents and toxins;
- national security, privacy and information security, and foreign influence in biomedical research;
- the administration of the Strategic National Stockpile; and
- domestic manufacturing of medical countermeasures.

The bill also modifies the regulation of medical products with a particular focus on expediting the development and approval of medical countermeasures. Additional areas of focus include strengthening medical product supply chains and supporting innovation in, for example, clinical trial designs.

Actions Timeline

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