

HR 3922

World Deserves To Know Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 15, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 16, 2021
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 15, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2933	Related bill	Oct 5, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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This bill requires sanctions on certain members of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and officials of Chinese health agencies. It also addresses related issues.

The President must impose visa- and property-blocking sanctions on any foreign person who is a CCP official and who is knowingly responsible for or complicit in (1) the disappearances of whistleblowers and citizen journalists in China relating to COVID-19, or (2) limiting free speech and academic freedom in China relating to COVID-19.

The President must also impose such sanctions on specified individuals who have leadership positions in China's Center for Disease Control and Prevention and China's National Health Commission (NHC).

The authority to impose such sanctions shall end when the President certifies to Congress that an independent and unimpeded investigation into the potential origin of COVID-19 from the Wuhan Institute of Virology has taken place.

The bill also bars federal funds and certain federal student assistance from going to institutions of higher education that enter into a contract with any element or China-based affiliate of the NHC.

Federal funding to the National Academy of Sciences may not be used to enter into a contract with any element or China-based affiliate of the NHC.

The Government Accountability Office must report to Congress a review of all funds that the National Institutes of Health have made available to the NHC since FY2010. This report must also be publicly available.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3077)
- **Jun 16, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 15, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 15, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Education and Labor, and 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.