

HR 4040

Advancing Telehealth Beyond COVID–19 Act of 2022

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jul 28, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Cheney, Liz [R-WY-At Large]

Party: Republican • **State:** WY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jul 22, 2022
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jul 22, 2022
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 26, 2022
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2022
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jul 26, 2022
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Jul 26, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 23, 2021
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 28, 2022
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 22, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HRES 1256	Related bill	Jul 27, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
117 HR 8489	Related bill	Jul 26, 2022: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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.

Summary (as of Jul 27, 2022)

Advancing Telehealth Beyond COVID-19 Act of 2022

This bill modifies the extension of certain Medicare telehealth flexibilities after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Specifically, the bill provides that certain flexibilities continue to apply until December 31, 2024, if the emergency period ends before that date. The bill allows

- beneficiaries to continue to receive telehealth services at any site, regardless of type or location (e.g., the beneficiary's home);
- occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech-language pathologists, and audiologists to continue to furnish telehealth services;
- federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics to continue to serve as the distant site (i.e., the location of the health care practitioner);
- evaluation and management and behavioral health services to continue to be provided via audio-only technology; and
- hospice physicians and nurse practitioners to continue to complete certain requirements relating to patient recertifications via telehealth.

The bill also delays implementation of certain in-person evaluation requirements for mental health telehealth services until January 1, 2025, or the first day after the end of the emergency period, whichever is later.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 28, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Rule H. Res. 1256 passed House.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1256. (consideration: CR H7189-7197)
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 263 and H.R. 4040. Resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill. H. Res. 517 is considered adopted.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 4040.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Mr. Schweikert moved to recommit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - The Chair put the question on the Schweikert motion to recommit and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Schweikert demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings on the motion to recommit until a time to be announced.
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7221-7223)
- **Jul 27, 2022:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 205 - 221 (Roll no. 399).
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 416 - 12 (Roll no. 400). (text: CR H7189-7190)
- **Jul 27, 2022:** On passage Passed by recorded vote: 416 - 12 (Roll no. 400). (text: CR H7189-7190)
- **Jul 27, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 26, 2022:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1256 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 263 and H.R. 4040. Resolution provides for one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit on each bill. H. Res. 517 is considered adopted.
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.
- **Jun 22, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.