

## S 4498

### Kids' Mental Health Improvement Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jun 23, 2022

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 23, 2022)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 24, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4747	Related bill	Aug 2, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
117 HR 7236	Related bill	Mar 29, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

### Summary (as of Jun 23, 2022)

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This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to issue certain guidance and reports on ways to expand access to behavioral health services (particularly for children), including guidance to states on (1) how to expand mental, emotional, and behavioral health services and telehealth services under Medicaid; and (2) existing regulatory flexibilities for hospitals and other providers to support children in crisis or in need of more intensive services.

### Actions Timeline

• **Jun 23, 2022:** Introduced in Senate

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