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Freedom to Travel for Health Care Act of 2022

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Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 12, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 12, 2022)

Freedom to Travel for Health Care Act of 2022

This bill prohibits anyone from interfering with a person's ability to access out-of-state reproductive health care. (*Reproductive health care* is defined as medical, surgical, counseling, or referral services related to pregnancy, the termination of a pregnancy, contraception services, and other reproductive care.)

Specifically, the bill prohibits anyone from restricting, discriminating against, or otherwise disadvantaging anyone who receives, provides, or assists with out-of-state reproductive health care that is legal in the state in which it is provided.

The bill allows the Department of Justice to bring a civil action and establishes a private right of action for violations. The bill specifically waives any applicable governmental immunity and preempts any contravening state laws.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 12, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
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