HR 4510

Health Enterprise Zones Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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Rep. Carter, Troy [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Oct 15, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 20, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 19, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 5293	Related bill	**Dec 19, 2022:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Jul 19, 2021)

Health Enterprise Zones Act of 2021

This bill provides for the designation of Health Enterprise Zones in certain geographic areas with documented and measurable health disparities. This designation, which expires 10 fiscal years after the bill's enactment, confers eligibility for certain grants, student loan repayment programs, and tax credits for those working to reduce health disparities and improve health outcomes in these zones.

Specifically, community-based nonprofits or local government agencies, in coalition with health care providers, social service organizations, and others, may apply to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the designation. The application must include a plan to reduce health disparities and achieve other outcomes.

In implementing the program, HHS must consult with, among others, the Department of Housing and Urban Development. When approving applications, HHS shall consider factors including geographic diversity and the commitment of supporting funds from the private sector. HHS (1) may award grants to organizations or agencies that applied for the designation to support activities aligned with their plans, and (2) must carry out a student loan repayment program for health care providers who agree to provide services in a Health Enterprise Zone.

In addition, the bill establishes tax credits for employers that hire, and individuals who work as, Health Enterprise Zone workers.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 20, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 19, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 19, 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.

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