

HR 4547

Association Health Plans Act of 2021

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Jul 20, 2021
Rep. McHenry, Patrick T. [R-NC-10]	R · NC		Aug 31, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Aug 31, 2021
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Sep 23, 2021
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Nov 2, 2021
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Sep 30, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 20, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 8588	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
117 S 896	Related bill	Mar 23, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill provides statutory authority for certain short-term, limited-duration health insurance plans and association health plans.

The bill permits short-term, limited-duration plans to provide coverage for a period of less than 12 months, not including extensions. Under current law, such plans are exempt from certain market requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, such as coverage of individuals with preexisting conditions.

The bill further permits groups or associations of employers to sponsor fully insured group health plans as if they were employers. Such plans may not discriminate based on the health factors of any prospective plan participant for the purpose of granting an employer's membership in the association or determining a participant's eligibility for benefits or premium amounts.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
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