

HR 4969

Elder Justice Reauthorization and Modernization Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Aug 9, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1] | D · OR | | Aug 6, 2021 |
| Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1] | D · CT | | Sep 20, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 6, 2021 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Aug 9, 2021 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 6, 2021 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Aug 6, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 HR 5241 | Related bill | Sep 10, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support. |
| 117 HR 5094 | Related bill | Aug 24, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support. |
| 117 HR 5005 | Related bill | Aug 10, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support. |
| 117 S 2674 | Related bill | Aug 7, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

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This bill reauthorizes, provides funding through FY2025 for, and otherwise makes changes to programs for preventing, detecting, and treating abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults.

Specifically, the bill provides funding for states and localities to enhance adult protective services and long-term care ombudsman programs.

Additionally, the bill modifies an existing long-term care workforce grant program, including by requiring that grant recipients use funds to provide employees with wage subsidies, educational assistance, and access to affordable child care and transportation. Furthermore, the bill establishes new grant programs for states to (1) link health care and social services for older adults, including through medical-legal partnerships and legal services hotlines; and (2) prevent and address social isolation among older adults and individuals with disabilities.

The bill also provides funding for reporting by the Department of Health and Human Services on the effectiveness of various programs and activities in addressing abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 9, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Education and Labor, and the Judiciary, 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.
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.