

## HR 5163

Care for Her Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cheney, Liz [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Kim, Young [R-CA-39]	R · CA		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Moore, Blake D. [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Salazar, Maria Elvira [R-FL-27]	R · FL		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Sep 3, 2021
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Sep 10, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Sep 30, 2021
Rep. Feenstra, Randy [R-IA-4]	R · IA		Oct 8, 2021
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Oct 21, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 5, 2021
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 3, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 6, 2021
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 3, 2021
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 3, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 3, 2021)

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#### Care for Her Act

This bill allows an eligible taxpayer to claim the Child Tax Credit for the tax year preceding the year the child is born. It also sets out other activities to support parents and pregnant women.

Specifically, the bill establishes the Pregnancy Support Collaborative, which consists of representatives from the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and states that elect to participate.

The collaborative must maintain a clearinghouse of information on providers of pregnancy and parenting supports and services. States must identify providers in their jurisdictions who meet applicable criteria for inclusion. In addition, the collaborative must share information about education and training opportunities for parents and pregnant women and identify successful programs (including workplace policies) to support them. Furthermore, the collaborative must award grants to states for local programs to improve maternal and infant health outcomes. If a community demonstrates that its program reduces Medicaid costs, it retains a portion of those savings.

If approved by the collaborative, HHS must award grants to providers in the clearinghouse for mentoring and training pregnant women and new mothers and addressing gaps in the availability of maternity housing. Additionally, HHS may award grants for pregnancy and parenting supports and services.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must jointly maintain a database of de-identified epidemiological and Medicaid claims data to evaluate the effect of maternity homes on maternal and infant health outcomes.

#### Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.
- **Oct 5, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.
- **Sep 6, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 3, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Education and Labor, Agriculture, the Judiciary, and Financial Services, 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.