

## HR 5296

### Preventing HEAT Illness and Deaths Act of 2021

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Sep 20, 2021

**Current Status:** ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Ms. Bonamici asked unanimous consent that she may hereafter be consider

**Latest Action:** ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Ms. Bonamici asked unanimous consent that she may hereafter be considered to be the first sponsor of H.R. 5296, as bill originally introduced by Representative Crist of Florida, for the purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting re-printings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection. (Dec 1, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/5296>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

| Cosponsor                                       | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]                 | D · OR        |      | Sep 20, 2021 |
| Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]           | D · CA        |      | Sep 30, 2021 |
| Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]                  | D · OR        |      | Sep 30, 2021 |
| Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]                      | D · FL        |      | Sep 30, 2021 |
| Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]                    | D · AZ        |      | Oct 8, 2021  |
| Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]                    | D · IL        |      | Oct 8, 2021  |
| Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]              | D · WA        |      | Oct 8, 2021  |
| Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]                  | D · WA        |      | Oct 19, 2021 |
| Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large] | D · GU        |      | Nov 9, 2021  |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                                | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|--|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee            | House   | Referred to | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Science, Space, and Technology Committee | House   | Referred to | Sep 20, 2021 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action  |
|------------|--------------|--|
| 117 S 2510 | Related bill | <b>Dec 12, 2022:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 624. |

## Preventing Health Emergencies And Temperature-related Illness and Deaths Act of 2021 or the Preventing HEAT Illness and Deaths Act of 2021

This bill provides statutory authority for, and otherwise revises, the National Integrated Heat Health Information System Program to improve the capacity of the United States to prepare for, adapt to, and mitigate health risks of extreme heat. The Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) must carry out this program. (Currently, the program is jointly administered by NOAA and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.)

Under the bill, the program may provide financial assistance for projects to increase awareness, education, and research about extreme heat events and mitigate the human health impacts of those events. In awarding the assistance, the program must prioritize historically disadvantaged communities and communities with significant heat disparities associated with race or income. Other components of the program include grants for research on climate and health and a study of relevant policy, research, and data gaps concerning extreme heat information and response.

The bill also establishes an interagency committee within the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy to develop a strategic plan and otherwise coordinate federal activities related to the program.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 21, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 20, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 20, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment.
- **Sep 20, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, 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.