

HR 5541

Primary and Virtual Care Affordability Act

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Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Dec 1, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Dec 8, 2021
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jan 11, 2022
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill extends until December 31, 2023, the exemption for telehealth services from certain high deductible health plan rules. It also provides a high deductible health plan safe harbor for the absence of a deductible for certain primary care services provided in any plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2023 (COVID-19 emergency period).

The Government Accountability Office must complete a study, and report on, the effects of the safe harbor for certain primary care services provided during the COVID-19 emergency period.

Actions Timeline

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