

HR 5654

Higher Education Mental Health Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (Oct 21, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13]	R · PA		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Oct 26, 2021
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Oct 26, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Nov 2, 2021
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Nov 12, 2021
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Dec 16, 2021
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Mar 7, 2022
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 7, 2022
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Mar 8, 2022
Rep. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Mar 24, 2022
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Mar 28, 2022
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Mar 30, 2022
Rep. Porter, Katie [D-CA-45]	D · CA		Jun 7, 2022
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 13, 2022
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jun 16, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 21, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 3048	Related bill	Oct 21, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Oct 21, 2021)

Higher Education Mental Health Act of 2021

This bill requires the Department of Education to establish an Advisory Commission on Serving and Supporting Students with Mental Health Disabilities in Institutions of Higher Education.

The commission must conduct a study and report on

- services available to students with mental health disabilities in institutions of higher education (IHEs) and the effectiveness of such services in supporting these students;
- the impact of policies and procedures, such as reasonable accommodation and disciplinary policies, that help or hinder the goal of providing equal opportunity to these students;
- the use of protected health information of these students by IHEs;
- the impact of providing mental health services on a student's academic performance, well-being, and ability to complete college;
- conclusions on the major challenges facing these students; and
- recommendations to improve the overall education, retention, and graduation of these students.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 21, 2021:** Introduced in House
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