

HR 5898

LOCAL HEALTH Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Nov 5, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Nov 8, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]

Party: Democratic • State: FL • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Sylvia R. [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Nov 5, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 9, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Let Our Cities And Local businesses Help Employees Achieve Long-Term Health Act or the LOCAL HEALTH Act**

This bill authorizes private businesses and local governments and agencies to require the use of face masks and take other measures aligned with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19, provided that the required measures accommodate individuals with disabilities and include exemptions for sincerely held religious beliefs.

The bill also (1) prohibits a state from establishing or enforcing a law that restricts an authorized measure, and (2) provides immunity to private businesses and local government entities from federal or state claims arising from an authorized measure unless the claim involves negligent behavior or willful misconduct.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Nov 8, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 5, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 5, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.