

HR 5989

Precision Medicine Answers for Kids Today Act

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Nov 17, 2021)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Sep 26, 2022
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Oct 11, 2022
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Dec 15, 2022
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Dec 20, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 17, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 16, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6000	Related bill	Jan 4, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research.

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This bill establishes programs and requires reporting relating to Medicaid coverage of genetic and genomic testing, particularly for children.

Specifically, the bill establishes a demonstration program for up to 15 state Medicaid programs to cover genetic and genomic testing for certain individuals under the age of 21 (or a lower age, if the state chooses) and for former foster youth under the age of 26.

Additionally, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must report on overall Medicaid coverage of such services and issue guidance for states on ways to increase coverage for children; the National Academy of Medicine must study the impact of this guidance as well as the general utility of genetic and genomic testing.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 16, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 16, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.
- **Nov 16, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.