

## HR 626

### Teleabortion Prevention Act of 2021

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Jan 28, 2021
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Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13]	R · PA		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jan 28, 2021
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Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Jan 28, 2021
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Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Jan 28, 2021
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Keller, Fred [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Feb 4, 2021
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Feb 4, 2021

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 5136	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

## Summary (as of Jan 28, 2021)

### Teleabortion Prevention Act of 2021

This bill restricts the use of telehealth for chemical abortions (also known as medication abortions).

Specifically, it requires a provider who dispenses or prescribes medication for a chemical abortion to physically examine the patient, be physically present at the location of the chemical abortion, and schedule a follow-up visit. The bill provides an exception for a chemical abortion that is necessary to save the life of a mother whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness, injury, or condition.

The bill establishes criminal penalties—a fine, a prison term of up to two years, or both—for a provider who does not comply with the requirements.

A patient who undergoes a chemical abortion may not be prosecuted.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 28, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.