

HR 6479

Put Trafficking Victims First Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Nov 1, 2022)

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Committee Activity

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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | Jan 25, 2022 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred to | Nov 1, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 S 3643 | Related bill | Feb 14, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

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This bill sets forth provisions intended to help assess the prevalence of human trafficking in the United States and improve support for victims of trafficking and service providers.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) must work with federal entities and other stakeholders to do the following:

- establish a working group to improve the collection and analysis of data on the incidence of trafficking,
- report on efforts to develop methodologies to determine the prevalence of human trafficking, and
- survey survivors to estimate the prevalence of human trafficking and improve services for victims.

DOJ must also report on efforts to increase restitution to victims of trafficking.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 25, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 25, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.