

HR 6851

No Surprises for COVID–19 Tests Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Feb 25, 2022

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 28, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Feb 25, 2022
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Mar 11, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 25, 2022
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 28, 2022
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 25, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 25, 2022)

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This bill extends the temporary period during which private health insurance plans must cover testing and related services for COVID-19 without cost sharing. It also temporarily applies certain consumer protections against surprise billing to such testing and related services.

Finally, beginning on May 1, 2022, insurance plans without a negotiated price for COVID-19 testing services are no longer required to pay providers the published cash price for such services.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 28, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 25, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and 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.