

HR 769

Rural MOMS Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 4, 2021)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Feb 3, 2021
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Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Feb 24, 2021
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Jun 28, 2021
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Nov 15, 2021
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Feb 25, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1491	Related bill	Jun 8, 2021: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 70.

Summary (as of Feb 3, 2021)

Rural Maternal and Obstetric Modernization of Services Act or the Rural MOMS Act

This bill expands initiatives to address maternal health in rural areas.

The bill provides funding through FY2026 for the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to establish rural obstetric networks. These networks must foster collaboration to improve birth outcomes and reduce maternal morbidity in rural areas. HRSA also must award demonstration grants to medical schools and other health professional training programs to support education and training on maternal health in rural areas.

In addition, the bill incorporates maternal health services in certain telehealth grant programs. It also revises various research and other activities of the Department of Health and Human Services that pertain to maternal health.

Furthermore, the Government Accountability Office must report on maternal health topics, including health inequities and data issues.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 4, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 3, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 3, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.