

HR 8297

Ensuring Women's Right to Reproductive Freedom Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Jul 11, 2022
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Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Torres, Ritchie [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		Jul 11, 2022
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Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Jul 11, 2022
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Carter, Troy [D-LA-2]	D · LA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick, Sheila [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-11]	D · WA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]	D · PA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Jul 12, 2022

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Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]	D · VA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Wexton, Jennifer [D-VA-10]	D · VA		Jul 12, 2022
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Bush, Cori [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Jul 13, 2022
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Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8]	D · WA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Jul 13, 2022
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jul 13, 2022

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Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Brown, Shontel M. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Kahele, Kaialii [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Jul 14, 2022
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Jul 15, 2022
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jul 15, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 7, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HRES 1224	Related bill	Jul 13, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Ensuring Women's Right to Reproductive Freedom Act

This bill prohibits anyone acting under state law from interfering with a person's ability to access out-of-state abortion services. (*Abortion services* includes the use of any drugs that are approved to terminate pregnancies and any health care services related to an abortion, whether or not provided at the same time or on the same day.)

Specifically, the bill prohibits any person acting under state law from preventing, restricting, impeding, or retaliating against

- health care providers who provide legal abortion services to out-of-state residents,
- any person or entity who helps health care providers to provide such services,
- any person who travels to another state to obtain such services,
- any person or entity who helps another person travel to another state to obtain such services, or
- the movement in interstate commerce of drugs that are approved to terminate pregnancies.

The Department of Justice may enforce this bill through civil actions; the bill also establishes a private right of action for violations.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 18, 2022:** Received in the Senate.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1224. (consideration: CR H6647-6660)
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 7900, S. 3373, H.R. 8296, H.R. 8297 and H.R. 6538 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 8297.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Mr. Johnson (LA) moved to recommit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. (text: CR H6659-6660)
- **Jul 15, 2022:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on H.R. 8297, the Chair put the question on the Johnson(LA) motion to recommit and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mr. Johnson (LA) demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6661-6663)
- **Jul 15, 2022:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 209 - 219 (Roll no. 361).
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 223 - 205 (Roll no. 362).
- **Jul 15, 2022:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 223 - 205 (Roll no. 362). (text: CR H6647)
- **Jul 15, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 13, 2022:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1224 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 7900, S. 3373, H.R. 8296, H.R. 8297 and H.R. 6538 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order.
- **Jul 7, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 7, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.