

HR 1827

Pausing Enhanced Pandemic Pathogen Research Act of 2023

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Apr 26, 2023
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill generally prohibits the National Institutes of Health from conducting or supporting gain-of-function research through March 30, 2028. The bill defines *gain-of-function research* as any research that could enhance the transmissibility, virulence, or pathogenicity of any pathogen or non-pathogen agent in a way that could lead to (1) moderate or high transmissibility, virulence, or pathogenicity in human populations; (2) significant morbidity or mortality in humans; or (3) severe threats to public health or U.S. national security.

The prohibition does not apply to the characterization or testing of naturally occurring influenza virus or coronavirus unless the characterization or testing could increase viral pathogenicity or transmissibility.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 7, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 28, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 28, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.