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Student Mental Health Rights Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Education

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Jun 22, 2023)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 22, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 3726	Identical bill	May 25, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

Summary (as of Jun 22, 2023)

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This bill addresses mental health and substance use at institutions of higher education (IHEs).

Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Education (ED) to solicit information from students and conduct a study on mental health disabilities and substance use disorders at IHEs.

In addition, ED must issue guidance on IHEs' (1) compliance with federal law on mental health, (2) legal obligations to students with mental health disabilities and students with substance use disorders, and (3) policies that may have a discriminatory impact on such students.

Actions Timeline

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