

## HR 279

### Pharmacist Conscience Protection Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jan 11, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jan 20, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/279>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]

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

### Cosponsors (19 total)

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Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Jan 11, 2023
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Rep. Moore, Blake D. [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Jan 11, 2023
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Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Jan 17, 2023
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Jan 25, 2023
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jan 17, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 20, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jan 11, 2023)

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#### Pharmacist Conscience Protection Act

This bill prohibits the federal government and federally funded entities from discriminating or otherwise taking adverse action against a pharmacist, pharmacy owner, or pharmacy technician who declines to store, fill prescriptions for, or make referrals for drugs that cause abortions (or that the individual provider believes in good faith cause abortions). Individuals or the Department of Justice may bring civil actions for violations of this bill.

#### Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 20, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 11, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 11, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.