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SAFER Health Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Feb 9, 2023

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Feb 9, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

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Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 9, 2023
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Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 9, 2023
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Feb 9, 2023
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Sen. Warnock, Raphael G. [D-GA]	D · GA		Mar 28, 2023
Sen. Welch, Peter [D-VT]	D · VT		Apr 17, 2023
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		May 9, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 9, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 459	Related bill	Feb 3, 2023: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Feb 9, 2023)

Secure Access for Essential Reproductive Health Act of 2023 or the SAFER Health Act of 2023

This bill prohibits health care providers and insurance plans from disclosing in a legal proceeding an individual's personal health information related to an abortion or pregnancy without the individual's valid authorization.

The prohibition applies to federal, state, local, and tribal proceedings, including civil, criminal, administrative, and legislative proceedings. The bill provides limited exceptions such as if the information is necessary to investigate physical harm to the individual.

Further, the Department of Health and Human Services must conduct an outreach campaign to inform covered entities and the public about the prohibition.

Actions Timeline

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