

HR 3570

Comprehensive Response to Fentanyl-Related Substances and Fentanyl-Laced Substances Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** May 22, 2023

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 26, 2023)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (7 total)

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| Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]                | D · OH        |      | May 22, 2023 |
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| Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]            | D · NY        |      | May 22, 2023 |
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| Rep. Jackson, Jonathan L. [D-IL-1]         | D · IL        |      | May 22, 2023 |
| Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]                  | D · WI        |      | May 22, 2023 |
| Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]       | D · NJ        |      | May 22, 2023 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | May 26, 2023 |
| Judiciary Committee           | House   | Referred To | May 22, 2023 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action                                                  |
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| 118 HR 4272 | Related bill | <b>Jun 23, 2023:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

## **Comprehensive Response to Fentanyl-Related Substances and Fentanyl-Laced Substances Act**

This bill establishes several programs and requirements to address the use of fentanyl and fentanyl-laced substances.

For example, the bill expands the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Grant Program in the Department of Justice (DOJ) to include training and resources for teachers on how to carry and administer opioid overdose reversal drugs (e.g., naloxone). DOJ must also increase resources and establish an interagency task force for law enforcement agencies to combat the trafficking of fentanyl-laced substances.

Additionally, the Department of Health and Human Services must develop a national strategy to prevent the use of fentanyl-laced substances, award grants to state and localities for treatment programs for those who are addicted to fentanyl-laced substances, and research the health effects of fentanyl-laced substances.

The bill also increases criminal penalties for adulterating or misbranding drugs if the violation results in serious bodily injury or death (imprisonment of up to 10 years, a fine of up to \$1 million, or both for violations that result in serious bodily injury, and up to life imprisonment, a fine of up to \$5 million, or both for violations that result in death). Penalties are higher for violations that include the intent to defraud or mislead. The bill adds up to 5 years of additional imprisonment if the violation involves drugs that are promoted or sold online.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 26, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 23, 2023:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H2520)
- **May 22, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2023:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H2486)
- **May 22, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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