

HR 4053

Studying Suboxone Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jun 16, 2023)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 16, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 13, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to reevaluate the scheduling of buprenorphine-naloxone combination products (e.g., suboxone) under the Controlled Substances Act. These products are used to treat opioid addictions and are currently schedule III controlled substances. (A schedule III controlled substance is a drug, substance, or chemical that has less potential for abuse than a schedule I or II substance; that has a currently accepted medical use; and that has low or moderate risk of dependence if abused.)

Specifically, the bill requires HHS to review scientific and medical evaluations relating to these products and update its scheduling recommendations accordingly. The DEA must review the recommendations of HHS and make appropriate scheduling changes.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 16, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 13, 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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