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Travel Freedom Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Feb 15, 2023)

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Sponsor

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Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Feb 15, 2023
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 15, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 185	Related bill	Feb 13, 2023: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 14.

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This bill nullifies certain orders issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) that restrict noncitizens from entering the United States if they are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Specifically, the bill nullifies the CDC order titled *Amended Order Implementing Presidential Proclamation on Advancing the Safe Resumption of Global Travel During the COVID-19 Pandemic* and published on April 7, 2022. (The order restricts the entry of noncitizens who are not immigrants into the United States by air travel unless they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or otherwise attest that they will take public health measures to prevent the spread of the disease.)

Additionally, the bill nullifies the DHS order titled *Notification of Temporary Travel Restrictions Applicable to Land Ports of Entry and Ferries Services Between the United States and Canada* and published on April 22, 2022. (The order restricts the entry of noncitizens who are not immigrants along the United States-Canada border, including at ferry terminals, unless they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and can provide proof upon request.)

The bill also nullifies any successor or subsequent orders that require proof of a COVID-19 vaccination as a condition of entry into the United States and prohibits the use of federal funds to administer or enforce such requirements.

Actions Timeline

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