

HR 459

SAFER Health Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Jan 24, 2023

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 3, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-16]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Jan 24, 2023
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Sep 12, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 323	Related bill	Feb 9, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## **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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- **Feb 3, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 24, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 24, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.