

## HR 4818

Treat and Reduce Obesity Act of 2023

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 20, 2023

**Current Status:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 118-959, Part I.

**Latest Action:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 118-959, Part I. (Dec 27, 2024)

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Sep 14, 2023
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Sep 14, 2023
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 20, 2023
Del. Plaskett, Stacey E. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		Sep 20, 2023
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2023
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2023
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Sep 20, 2023
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Sep 20, 2023
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2023

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Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Sep 26, 2023
Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Sep 29, 2023
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Oct 3, 2023
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Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Oct 20, 2023
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Rep. Goldman, Daniel S. [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2023
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Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Dec 13, 2023
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Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Yakym, Rudy [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Foushee, Valerie P. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Dec 15, 2023
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Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Feb 23, 2024
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Feb 23, 2024
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Lawler, Michael [R-NY-17]	R · NY		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Nickel, Wiley [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Feb 26, 2024
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Feb 28, 2024
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Feb 29, 2024

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Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Mar 5, 2024
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Mar 5, 2024
Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Mar 5, 2024
Rep. Kean, Thomas H. [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Mar 5, 2024
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Mar 12, 2024
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Mar 13, 2024
Rep. Fletcher, Lizzie [D-TX-7]	D · TX		Mar 13, 2024
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Mar 13, 2024
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 13, 2024
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Apr 9, 2024
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Apr 15, 2024
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Apr 23, 2024
Rep. Pascrell, Bill [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Apr 23, 2024
Rep. Thanedar, Shri [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Apr 23, 2024
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		May 6, 2024
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		May 6, 2024
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		May 6, 2024
Rep. Beyer, Donald S. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		May 14, 2024
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-4]	D · CA		May 14, 2024
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		May 17, 2024
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 17, 2024
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		May 21, 2024
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		May 23, 2024
Rep. Caraveo, Yadira [D-CO-8]	D · CO		Jun 3, 2024
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Jun 3, 2024
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Jun 25, 2024
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jun 27, 2024
Rep. Bush, Cori [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Jul 11, 2024
Rep. De La Cruz, Monica [R-TX-15]	R · TX		Jul 15, 2024
Rep. Ivey, Glenn [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Jul 30, 2024
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Sep 9, 2024
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Sep 12, 2024
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Sep 27, 2024
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Sep 27, 2024
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Nov 19, 2024
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Dec 3, 2024
Rep. Scholten, Hillary J. [D-MI-3]	D · MI		Dec 9, 2024

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 21, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Reported By	Dec 27, 2024

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 2407	Identical bill	<b>Jul 20, 2023:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Summary (as of Jul 20, 2023)

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#### Treat and Reduce Obesity Act of 2023

This bill expands Medicare coverage of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity. Specifically, the bill allows coverage for therapy that is provided by (1) a physician who is not a primary care physician; or (2) other health care providers (e.g., physician assistants and nurse practitioners) and approved counseling programs, if provided upon a referral from, and in coordination with, a physician or primary care practitioner. Currently, such therapy is covered only if provided by a primary care practitioner.

The bill also allows coverage under Medicare's prescription drug benefit of drugs used for the treatment of obesity or for weight loss management for individuals who are overweight.

#### Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 27, 2024:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 118-959, Part I.
- **Jun 27, 2024:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Jun 27, 2024:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 36 - 4.
- **Jul 21, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 20, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 20, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.