

HR 5629

Child Poverty Reduction Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Jacobs, Sara [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Sep 21, 2023
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Oct 12, 2023
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Oct 17, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 21, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 2906	Identical bill	Sep 21, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Child Poverty Reduction Act of 2023**

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Census Bureau to take certain actions with respect to poverty measures and data related to child poverty. It also requires the National Academy of Sciences to report annually on child poverty and study other issues, such as policies to reduce intergenerational poverty.

Specifically, HHS must enter into an agreement with the Census Bureau to annually report an anchored supplemental poverty measure for individuals under the age of 18 and must otherwise collaborate with the bureau to, for example, correct income data to account for underreporting.

Currently, the Census Bureau uses the official poverty measure (based on cash resources) and the supplemental poverty measure (based on both cash and certain noncash resources, such as nutrition assistance program benefits) to measure poverty. Anchoring the supplemental poverty measure fixes the poverty threshold at a given point in time and then adjusts it for inflation.

HHS must publish resources on its website related to child poverty, and the Census Bureau must release certain economic and survey data at the same time it releases a specific report related to income, poverty, and health insurance coverage in the United States.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Work and Welfare.
- **Sep 21, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 21, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, 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.