

HR 824

Telehealth Benefit Expansion for Workers Act of 2023

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Feb 2, 2023

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Dec 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-5]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Feb 2, 2023
Rep. Craig, Angie [D-MN-2]	D · MN		Feb 2, 2023
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Feb 2, 2023
Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Feb 2, 2023
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Feb 2, 2023
Rep. Good, Bob [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Jul 20, 2023
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Jul 20, 2023
Rep. Obernolte, Jay [R-CA-23]	R · CA		Jul 20, 2023
Rep. Williams, Brandon [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Jul 20, 2023
Rep. Ciscomani, Juan [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Oct 3, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Reported By	Jun 30, 2023
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported by	Jul 13, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill allows employers to offer stand-alone telehealth benefits to all employees. This includes employees who are eligible for enrollment in their employer's group health plan.

Such stand-alone plans must comply with certain patient protections, including the prohibitions against (1) exclusion from coverage based on a preexisting condition, (2) discrimination based on health status, and (3) rescission of coverage.

Currently, employers may offer telehealth benefits to employees who are otherwise ineligible for the employer's group health plan. This flexibility applies during any plan year beginning before the end of the COVID-19 emergency.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 29 - 20.
- **Jul 13, 2023:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 13, 2023:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 16 - 11 .
- **Jun 30, 2023:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Education and the Workforce. H. Rept. 118-132, Part I.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 13, 2023:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 14.
- **Feb 10, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 2, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 2, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and 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.