

HR 5496

HEALTH Act of 2025

Congress: 119 (2025–2027, Current)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Sep 18, 2025

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means

Latest Action: 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. (Sep 18, 2025)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Tokuda, Jill N. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Sep 18, 2025
Rep. Vindman, Eugene Simon [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Oct 21, 2025
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Dec 18, 2025
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Dec 18, 2025
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Jan 7, 2026

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 18, 2025
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 18, 2025

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Helping Ensure Access to Local TeleHealth Act of 2025 or the HEALTH Act of 2025

This bill modifies requirements relating to Medicare coverage of telehealth services, including services that are furnished by federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) and rural health clinics (RHCs).

Specifically, the bill expands coverage to include audio-only telehealth services. It also permanently allows FQHCs and RHCs to serve as the distant site (i.e., the location of the health care practitioner) for telehealth services and excludes such services from certain geographic restrictions. Payment must be made in the same manner as for non-telehealth services, rather than in accordance with a separate methodology determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

