



Health Policy Briefing

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House Approves Rules for 118th Congress

The House of Representatives approved a [new rules package](#) setting the chamber’s operating procedures for the 118th Congress last week. Unlike the Senate, which operates under standing rules from session to session, the House must adopt a new package of rules at the beginning of each new Congress to set the procedures by which the chamber considers and passes legislation. The rules allow a single House member to make a motion to vote the House speaker from leadership. This ‘motion to vacate’ concession was made by Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) as a part of his speakership election negotiations. The rules package replaces “pay as you go” (PAYGO) requirements with “cut-as-you-go” (CUTGO) which requires spending offsets for any legislation that increases the budget and requires that any tax rate increase be supported by three-fifths of the chamber. The new rules also officially end COVID-19-era remote work provisions as well as reinstate the Holman Rule, which allows members to introduce amendments to appropriations bills to make cuts to specific federal programs or fire or make pay cuts for specific government employees. The Holman Rule was last in place during the 115th Congress, but no amendments proposed were ever signed into law. The rules provided for consideration of several GOP legislative priorities – including the rescission of Internal Revenue Service funding, a ban on taxpayer-funded abortions, and an increase of oil and gas production on public land. It also set votes to establish two new congressional panels – the House

Judiciary Subcommittee on Weaponization of the Federal Government and a Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the U.S. and China.

House Passes Born-Alive Legislation

The House of Representatives passed the ***Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act*** (H.R. 26) last week. The legislation passed by a vote of 220-210, with Rep. Henry Cuellar (D-Texas) joining Republicans in support of the bill. H.R. 26 outlines requirements for health care providers to treat children

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born after an attempted abortion. The legislation establishes criminal penalties for health practitioners who fail to provide required care or fail to report such failure. The new House Republican majority have pledged to pass abortion restrictions during the 118th Congress. It is unlikely that any such bills will be considered in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

MO Republican Jason Smith to Chair Ways and Means

The House GOP Steering Committee selected Rep. Jason Smith (R-Mo.) to replace retired Rep. Kevin Brady (R-Texas) as chair of the House Committee on Ways and Means for the 118th Congress. Reps. Vern Buchanan (R-Fla.) and Adrian Smith (R-Neb.) were also vying for the position. Smith's selection is still subject to approval by the full House Republican Caucus, which typically aligns with the Steering panel's recommendation. A press release following Smith's selection as chair outlined the focus of the Ways and Means Committee over the next two years on delivering more jobs, higher wages, and greater investment in America, including by building financial and health care security for families and re-shoring and strengthening supply chains to create medical independence. The Ways and Means Committee will also play a key role in negotiations to raise the debt ceiling later this year.

During the 117th Congress Rep. Smith was a champion of [legislation](#) to help ensure Medicare recipients who cannot access video during telehealth visits are able to access care through audio-only visits, as well as a [bill](#) that would require Medicare to permanently cover audio-only telehealth services for beneficiaries. He also helped introduce the ***Increasing Mental Health Options Act of 2022***, which aims to ensure Medicare beneficiaries have access to clinical psychologists across all settings of care. Smith has opposed the Biden administration's COVID-19 vaccine mandates and characterized a proposal to incorporate "anti-racism plans" as a quality metric for physicians under the Merit-based Incentive Payment Systems as discriminatory.

Agreement Reached on House Committee Ratios

House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-N.Y.) announced over the weekend that Democrats in the House of Representatives have reached an agreement with Republicans regarding ratios on so-called "A" or "exclusive" committees. Those committees are Appropriations, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, and Ways and Means. Of those four committees, Appropriations will see one seat added to the majority and minority side, while Energy and Commerce will be reduced by three seats each for the majority and minority, and Financial Services reduced by one seat. The Ways and Means Committee ratio will stay the same. While official committee rosters will not be released by the Democrats until after the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee meets, the practical effect of this announcement could mean no new Democratic appointments on Energy and Commerce and Appropriations and a potential loss of a few Democrats on the Ways and Means Committee.

The latest information on recently announced changes to congressional committee membership can be found in Hart Health Strategies Inc.'s [Guide to the 118th Congress](#), which is updated on an ongoing basis.

Sanders Presses Moderna on Possible Vaccine Price Hike

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee Chair Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) has sent a [letter](#) to Moderna urging the company to reconsider and refrain from any decision to raise the price of its COVID-19 vaccine for non-government payers. The Wall Street Journal recently reported that the company is considering an increase to the price of the vaccine as it shifts from government contracts to private insurers for the distribution of the vaccine. Sanders argues that reports of Moderna considering raising the price of its COVID-19 vaccine from \$26.36 to up to \$130 per dose are "particularly offensive" because the federal government provided \$1.7 billion to Moderna for vaccine research and development in partnership with the National Institutes of Health. This increase would "make the vaccine unaffordable for the residents of this country who made the production of the vaccine possible," Sanders writes.

Democrats Ask HHS to Use March-In Rights for Prostate Cancer Treatment

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), Sen. Angus King (I-Maine), and Rep. Lloyd Doggett (D-Texas) have sent a [letter](#) to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) urging the Secretary to use the federal government's march-in rights under the Bayh-Dole Act to address the price of prostate cancer treatment Xtandi. The letter asserts that despite being developed with the support of federal funding, Americans pay as much as six times the cost paid by patients in other countries for Xtandi. The lawmakers urge HHS to grant patent licenses for generic manufacturers to produce the drug.

Former NE Governor Ricketts to Replace Sasse in Senate

Former Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts (R) has been appointed by Gov. Jim Pillen (R) to fill the seat vacated by the retirement of Sen. Ben Sasse (R). Ricketts will serve through at least November 2024, when a special election will be held to fill the remaining two years of Sasse's term. Ricketts has committed to running in 2024 and, should he win, in 2026 to serve a full six-year term in the Senate. The former two-term governor co-chaired the Republican Governors Association during the 2022 campaign cycle. During his time as Nebraska governor, Ricketts worked to improve access to mental health services for service members, veterans, and their families and acted to address both ongoing and pandemic-related health care workforce shortages.

President to Deliver State of the Union Address Feb. 7

President Joe Biden will deliver his annual State of the Union address to Congress on February 7. The President is expected to tout his legislative victories over the last year, including the infrastructure bill and the ***Inflation Reduction Act***. He will also lay out the administration's vision for areas of potential bipartisan compromise in the newly divided Congress and is likely to discuss the need to raise the federal government's borrowing authority this year.

Treasury to Begin Extraordinary Measures to Avoid Debt Default

Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen has informed House Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) that the U.S. is projected to reach its \$31.4 trillion borrowing limit in less than a week. The Treasury Department will begin taking "extraordinary measures" on January 19 to delay a default on the national debt. Yellen urged Congress to act in a timely manner to raise or suspend the debt ceiling before the extraordinary measures run out, which could occur as early as June. Republicans have pledged that any action to address the debt limit should be tied to spending cuts.

COVID-19 PHE Renewed Through April

The Biden administration renewed the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE) for the 11th, and possibly final, time last week. Senior White House officials are reportedly preparing to end the COVID-19 emergency designation this spring. The administration has pledged to provide a 60 days' notice before terminating or allowing the PHE to expire – a deadline which has now been pushed until early February given the latest 90-day PHE extension to mid-April. Allowing the PHE to expire would result in the restructuring of the federal COVID-19 response and shift much of the responsibility for vaccine and treatment distribution to the private sector. Other flexibilities and regulatory authorities instituted in response to the COVID-19 PHE would also end, though some measures have already been de-linked from the emergency declaration. The most recent omnibus spending package, for example, included a two-year extension of telehealth policies and permits states to resume Medicaid redeterminations in April. Other provisions, such as the Drug Enforcement Administration's virtual prescribing of controlled substances waivers, were not extended in the year-end funding bill.

The administration is weighing whether to begin scaling back its COVID-19 team in the coming months or keep it intact through the end of the year. Staff members who leave the administration in the interim, however, are not expected to be replaced, nor will a new chief medical adviser be named following the departure of Anthony Fauci at the end of last year. Although little federal funding for COVID-19 response remains following Congress' failure to allocate more money last year, the administration continues to work to increase vaccine uptake and make treatments more widely available particularly in response to the rapid spread of the new COVID-19 subvariant XBB.1.5.

FLOTUS Undergoes Surgery to Remove Skin Lesions

First Lady Jill Biden underwent Mohs surgery at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center last week to remove two basal cell cancerous lesions. Doctors do not expect any further procedures to be necessary. According to White House physician Dr. Kevin O'Connor, the first lady “is in good spirits and is feeling well.”

CMS Announces Distribution of First Tranche of New GME Slots

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the distribution of 200 graduate medical education (GME) slots created as a part of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021*, which provided for the creation of 1,000 additional Medicare-funded physician residency slots over the course of five years. Of these direct GME slots, 125 of the residency slots are being allocated for primary care (including obstetrics/gynecology), and 20 slots are being allocated for psychiatry. This year’s slots, distributed to [100](#) teaching hospitals in 30 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, will be effective July 1, 2023. The application period for the 200 fiscal year 2024 slots will open later this month and close on March 31, 2023.

USPSTF Welcomes Three New Members

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) announced the addition of three new members to the task force last week. Each are appointed to serve four-year terms starting this month.

- Dr. Sandra Millon Underwood, R.N., Ph.D., professor emerita in the College of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Dr. Goutham Rao, M.D., FAHA, chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, and chief clinician experience officer for the University Hospitals Health System
- Dr. Joel Tsevat, M.D., M.P.H., general internist, professor of medicine, and Joaquin G. Cigarroa, Jr., M.D., distinguished chair in the Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long School of Medicine at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Maine Epidemiologist Chosen for CDC Leadership Post

Nirav Shah, MD, JD has been tapped to serve as Principal Deputy Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Shah, a doctor, lawyer, and epidemiologist, currently serves as Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. He will begin working as the CDC’s second-in-command in March. Shah previously served as the president of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials from March 2021 through September 2022.

Gallup Releases Annual Poll on Professional Ethics Ratings

Nurses, doctors, and pharmacists have topped the ranks of Gallup’s measurement of American’s professional ethics ratings. Approximately 79% of U.S. adults say nurses have “very high” or “high” honesty and ethical standards, with medical doctors and pharmacists ranking second and third respectively – with 62% and 58% of Americans rating them highly. All three professions, however, have seen a drop in their ratings since the bumps shown in 2020 at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Telemarketers and members of Congress received the lowest ratings, with less than 10% of Americans rating their ethics highly.

H.Res.7 — Recognizing the importance of access to comprehensive, high-quality, life-affirming medical care for women of all ages; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.Res.9 — Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that China is responsible for the COVID-19 pandemic and must be held financially liable for \$16,000,000,000,000; Sponsor: Nehls, Troy E. [Rep.-R-TX-22]; Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

H.J.Res.7 — Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020; Sponsor: Gosar, Paul A. [Rep.-R-AZ-9]; Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

H.R.26 — To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion; Sponsor: Wagner, Ann [Rep.-R-MO-2]; Committees: House - Judiciary

H.R.31 — To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for a demonstration project under the Medicaid program for political subdivisions of States to provide medical assistance for the expansion population under such program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Doggett, Lloyd [Rep.-D-TX-37]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.33 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of dental, vision, and hearing care under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Doggett, Lloyd [Rep.-D-TX-37]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.34 — To amend the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to include net investment income tax imposed in the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and to modify the net investment income tax; Sponsor: Doggett, Lloyd [Rep.-D-TX-37]; Committees: House - Ways and Means

H.R.35 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for certain reforms with respect to medicare supplemental health insurance policies; Sponsor: Doggett, Lloyd [Rep.-D-TX-37]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce

H.R.41 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure the timely scheduling of appointments for health care at medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Baird, James R. [Rep.-R-IN-4]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.46 — To authorize funding to increase access to mental health care treatment to reduce gun violence; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary

H.R.55 — To amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance criminal penalties for health related stalking, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Judiciary

H.R.62 — To protect health care providers and people seeking reproductive health care services, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary

H.R.69 — To abolish the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Education and Labor

H.R.70 — To abolish the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.71 — To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to exempt from regulation as devices non-invasive diagnostic devices, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.72 — To prohibit the use of Federal funds to maintain or collect information that can be used to identify any individual to whom a COVID-19 vaccine is administered, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.73 — To prohibit the use of Federal funds for the HHS Reproductive Healthcare Access Task Force; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.74 — To prohibit the use of Federal funds to propose, establish, implement, or enforce any requirement that an individual wear a mask or other face covering, or be vaccinated, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.75 — To repeal the authority of the Food and Drug Administration to require that drugs be dispensed only upon prescription, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.76 — To amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to provide for a definition of short-term limited duration insurance, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.77 — To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for cooperative governing of individual health insurance coverage; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.79 — To direct the President to withdraw the United States from the Constitution of the World Health Organization, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

H.R.93 — To require a particular jury instruction in Federal civil actions that include a claim for damages based on negligence arising from the transmission of COVID19; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House – Judiciary

H.R.104 — To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to formally recognize caregivers of veterans, notify veterans and caregivers of clinical determinations relating to eligibility for caregiver programs, and temporarily extend benefits for veterans who are determined ineligible for the family caregiver program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.105 — To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish hyperbaric oxygen therapy to veterans with traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Veterans' Affairs

H.R.106 — To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that amounts paid for an abortion are not taken into account for purposes of the deduction for medical expenses; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Ways and Means

H.R.107 — To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for tax-advantaged distributions from health savings accounts during family or medical leave, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Ways and Means

H.R.109 — To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an above-the-line deduction for health insurance premiums; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Ways and Means

- H.R.112 — To repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Education and Labor; Natural Resources; Judiciary; House Administration; Rules; Appropriations
- H.R.116 — To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain abortion procedures, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Judiciary; Energy and Commerce
- H.R.117 — To prohibit any entity that receives Federal funds from the COVID relief packages from mandating employees receive a COVID-19 vaccine, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Oversight and Reform; Energy and Commerce
- H.R.118 — To prohibit agencies from issuing vaccine passports, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Oversight and Reform; House Administration
- H.R.119 — To nullify certain executive orders regarding COVID19 vaccine mandates and to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from issuing a rule mandating vaccination against COVID19, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Oversight and Reform; Education and Labor; Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means
- H.R.120 — To direct that certain assessments with respect to toxicity of chemicals be carried out by the program offices of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology; Energy and Commerce
- H.R.124 — To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide incentives for education on the risk of renal medullary carcinoma in individuals who are receiving medical assistance under such title and who have Sickle Cell Disease; Sponsor: Green, Al [Rep.-D-TX-9]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce
- H.R.127 — To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for individuals residing in counties with fewer than 2 health insurance issuers offering plans on an Exchange; to require Members of Congress and congressional staff to abide by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with respect to health insurance coverage; and for other purposes; Sponsor: Biggs, Andy [Rep.-R-AZ-5]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce; House Administration; Oversight and Reform
- H.R.129 — To require the Secretary of Defense to ensure drop boxes are maintained on military installations for the deposit of unused prescription drugs, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Buchanan, Vern [Rep.-R-FL-16]; Committees: House - Armed Services
- H.R.133 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the use of the national coverage determination process under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Buchanan, Vern [Rep.-R-FL-16]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means
- H.R.134 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove geographic requirements and expand originating sites for telehealth services; Sponsor: Buchanan, Vern [Rep.-R-FL-16]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means
- H.R.167 — To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to ensure patients have access to certain urgent-use compounded medications, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Griffith, H. Morgan [Rep.-R-VA-9]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.170 — To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response and the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and in coordination with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Security, to establish a program of entering into partnerships with eligible domestic manufacturers to ensure the availability of qualified personal protective equipment to prepare for and respond to national health or other emergencies, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Griffith, H. Morgan [Rep.-R-VA-9]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Oversight and Reform

H.R.171 — To amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the scheduling of fentanyl-related substances, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Griffith, H. Morgan [Rep.-R-VA-9]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary

H.R.175 — To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit abortion in cases where a fetal heartbeat is detectable; Sponsor: Kelly, Mike [Rep.-R-PA-16]; Committees: House - Judiciary

H.R.177 — To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to ensure nursing facilities report information on medical directors of such facilities; Sponsor: Levin, Mike [Rep.-D-CA-49]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.185 — To terminate the requirement imposed by the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for proof of COVID-19 vaccination for foreign travelers, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Massie, Thomas [Rep.-R-KY-4]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.197 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include store-and-forward technologies as telecommunications systems through which telehealth services may be furnished for payment under the Medicare program; Sponsor: Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. [Rep.-R-MT-2]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.198 — To increase reporting requirements and transparency requirements in the 340B Drug Pricing Program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. [Rep.-R-MT-2]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.206 — To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify that artificial intelligence and machine learning technologies can qualify as a practitioner eligible to prescribe drugs if authorized by the State involved and approved, cleared, or authorized by the Food and Drug Administration, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Schweikert, David [Rep.-R-AZ-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.207 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage and payment for certain tests and assistive telehealth consultations, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Schweikert, David [Rep.-R-AZ-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Veterans' Affairs

H.R.219 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to codify patients' rights to hospital visitation, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Van Drew, Jefferson [Rep.-R-NJ-2]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce

H.R.235 — To provide for research and education with respect to triple-negative breast cancer, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.238 — To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the residential substance use disorder treatment program, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Judiciary

H.R.244 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the exclusion of Medicare coverage for hearing aids and examinations therefor, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Dingell, Debbie [Rep.-D-MI-6]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

H.R.245 — To establish a grant program for nebulizers in elementary and secondary schools; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Education and the Workforce; Energy and Commerce

H.Res.27 — Condemning attacks on health care facilities, health care personnel, and patients; Sponsor: DeGette, Diana [Rep.-D-CO-1]; Committees: House – Judiciary

H.R.271 — To provide for greater accountability with respect to Federal activities and expenditures relating to COVID-19, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Estes, Ron [Rep.-R-KS-4]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Education and the Workforce; Judiciary; Armed Services; Oversight and Accountability

H.R.279 — To amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit governmental discrimination against certain health care providers with certain objections to abortion; Sponsor: Carter, Earl L. “Buddy” [Rep.-R-GA-1]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.282 — To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require hospitals reimbursed under the Medicare system to establish and implement security procedures to reduce the likelihood of infant patient abduction and baby switching, including procedures for identifying all infant patients in the hospital in a manner that ensures that it will be evident if infants are missing from the hospital; Sponsor: Jackson Lee, Sheila [Rep.-D-TX-18]; Committees: House - Ways and Means; Judiciary; Energy and Commerce

H.R.286 — To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to health care providers to enhance the physical and cyber security of their facilities, personnel, and patients; Sponsor: Escobar, Veronica [Rep.-D-TX-16]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.301 — To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to authorize rewards regarding the identification of credible information regarding the origins of COVID-19, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Rose, John W. [Rep.-R-TN-6]; Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

H.R.305 — To authorize the Secretary of Education to carry out a grant program to assist local educational agencies with ensuring that each elementary and secondary school has at least one registered nurse on staff; Sponsor: Wilson, Frederica S. [Rep.-D-FL-24]; Committees: House - Education and the Workforce; Energy and Commerce

H.R.330 — To amend title X of the Public Health Service Act to prohibit family planning grants from being awarded to any entity that performs abortions, and for other purposes; Sponsor: Foxx, Virginia [Rep.-R-NC-5]; Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

H.R.343 — To prohibit United States assessed and voluntary contributions to the World Health Organization; Sponsor: Roy, Chip [Rep.-R-TX-21]; Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

H.R.348 — To require an audit of COVID-19 relief funding; Sponsor: Tenney, Claudia [Rep.-R-NY-24]; Committees: House - Oversight and Accountability