

Federal Bills Impacting PHA Members

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Bill	Description	Position	Status/Advocacy
	HOMECARE & FAMILY CAREGI	VERS	
Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS)	A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve certain programs of the Dept. of Veterans Affairs for home and community-based services for veterans.	Support	January 30, 2023 – Introduced February 16, 2023 – Amended and Reported from Committee
	HOME HEALTH		
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)	A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure stability in payments to home health agencies under the Medicare program.	Support	June 22, 2023 – Introduced & Referred to the Committee on Finance
H.R. 5128 Rep. Terri Sewell (D-AL)	A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure stability in payments to home health agencies under the Medicare program.	Support	August 1, 2023 – Introduced & Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means and the Committee on Energy & Commerce
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S. 2243 Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)	A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools and other programs, including social work, physician assistant, and chaplaincy education programs, to promote education and research in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative and hospice care.	Support	July 11, 2023 – Introduced
	WORKFORCE		
Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-Oregon)	A bill to create a pilot program to support state agencies, state boards of nursing, nursing schools, or other eligible entities with establishing or expanding state-based nursing workforce centers that carry out research,	Support	March 30, 2023 – Introduced & Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

H.R. 2411 Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-Delaware)	planning, and programs to address nursing shortages, nursing education, and other matters affecting the nursing workforce. The bill also expands the authority of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to establish health workforce research centers and specifically requires that HRSA establish a center focused on nursing. A bill to create a pilot program to support state agencies, state boards of nursing, nursing schools, or other eligible entities with establishing or expanding state-based nursing workforce centers that carry out research, planning, and programs to address nursing shortages, nursing education, and other matters affecting the nursing workforce. The bill also expands the authority of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to establish health workforce research centers and specifically requires that HRSA establish a center focused on nursing.	Support	March 30, 2023 – Introduced & Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health
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	HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED SE	RVICES	
Sen. Bob Casey (D-PA)	A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to expand access to home and community-based services (HCBS) under Medicaid, and for other purposes.	Support	January 26, 2023 – Introduced & Referred to the Committee on Finance
H.R. 547 Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-MI)	A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to expand access to home and community-based services (HCBS) under Medicaid, and for other purposes.	Support	January 26, 2023 – Introduced February 3, 2023 – Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health