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The election year 2020 is coming up, and it can be hard to distinguish candidates. Here below are some examples of legislation that have been introduced by the currently announced candidates for the Presidency in the Democratic Party who are holding or have recently held office. To find more information, go to the top right of congress.gov. Under "Bill Searches List", select the Chamber where the person you are searching for works, choose their name in the A to Z index. You can see all the numbers of bills sponsored and co-sponsored by that person. Click on the name, click on the Congress you want to see (on the left). The bills sponsored and co-sponsored will come up. The following are bills sponsored by Democratic candidates for President of the United States. It is not a complete list of those persons running; merely the members of Congress.

Some Bills Sponsored by Democratic Candidates in the Last Two Years	
Kamala Harris (Senate D-CA)	
S. 488 (116th Congress) Justice for Victims of Lynching	To amend title 18, United States Code, to specify
Act of 2019	lynching as a deprivation of civil rights, and for other
https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-	purposes
bill/488/text	
S. 3796 (115th Congress) Mental Health Professionals	To amend the Public Health Services Act to authorize
Workforce Shortage Loan Repayment Act	a loan repayment program for mental health
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-	professionals to relieve workforce shortages and for
<u>bill/3796/text</u>	other purposes. There are authorized to be
	appropriated to carry out this section \$25,000,000 each
	of fiscal years 2019 to 2028.
Cory Booker (Senate D-NJ)	
S. 473 (116th Congress) A bill to prohibit Federal	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for S.473.
agencies and Federal contractors from requesting that	Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress
an applicant for employment disclose criminal history	from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day
record information before the applicant has received a	or two after they are introduced on the floor of the
conditional offer	House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a
https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-	large number of bills to prepare or when a very large
bill/387/text	bill has to be printed.
S. 3773 (115th Congress) Primate Protection and	Non-human primates are highly intelligent and social
Research Modernization Act of 2018	animals and research using them is frequently not
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-	effective in leading to treatments for humans. They
bill/3773/text	should be used in researchif no other alternative
	method exists.

Elizabeth Warren (Senate D-MA) S. 534 (116th Congress) A bill to prohibit certain funds	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for S.534
from being transferred or reprogrammed to plan,	Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress
develop or construct a physical barrier along the	from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day
southwest border	or two after they are introduced on the floor of the
https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-	House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a
bill/534/text	large number of bills to prepare or when a very large
UIII/334/text	bill has to be printed.
S. 3775 (115th Congress) Affordable Drug	IN GENERAL.—There is established within the
Manufacturing Act of 2018	Department of Health and Human Services an office
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-	to be known as the Office of Drug Manufacturing
bill/3775/text	whose purpose is to increase competition, lower
	prices, and address shortages in the market for
	prescription drug, including insulin; to reduce the cos
	of prescription drugs to Federal and State health
	programs, taxpayers and consumers, and to increase
	patient access to affordable drugs. The Office will be
	headed by a Director who is appointed by the
	President, with the advice and consent of the Senate.
Amy Klobuchar (Senate D-MN)	A 600/00/0010 and a 12 and a 1
S. 520 (116th Congress) A bill to require the Secretary	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for S.520
of Energy to establish an energy efficiency materials	Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress
pilot program	from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day
https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/520/text	or two after they are introduced on the floor of the
om/320/text	House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a large number of bills to prepare or when a very large
	bill has to be printed.
S. 3749 (115th Congress) Congressional Accountability	This bill amends the Congressional Accountability Ac
Act of 1995 Reform Act	of 1995 (CAA) to revise administrative and judicial
(Passed into law on December 21, 2018)	dispute resolution procedures for certain claims by
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-	employees alleging that employing offices have
bill/3749/text	violated their CAA rights and protections, including
	protections against sexual harassment.
Bernie Sanders (Senate I-VT)	
S. 478 (116th Congress) A bill to enhance Social	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for S.478
Security benefits and ensure the long-term solvency of	Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress
the Social Security Program	from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day
https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-	or two after they are introduced on the floor of the
bill/478/text	House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a
	large number of bills to prepare or when a very large
	bill has to be printed.

S. 3410 (115th Congress) Stop Bad Employers by Zeroing Out Subsidies Act https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3410/text	This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to impose a tax on large employers whose employees receive certain federal benefits during the year. A "large employer" is an employer who employed an average of at least 500 employees on business days during the preceding year. The bill also prohibits large employers from asking questions or seeking information about whether a job applicant receives federal benefits.  The tax is equal to the benefits that the employees receive under:  • the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as the food stamp program)  • the school lunch and school breakfast programs administered under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966  • section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937  • Medicaid
Kristen Gillibrand (House of Representatives D-NY)	
S. 463 (116th Congress) A bill to provide paid family and medical leave benefits to certain individuals, and for other purposes <a href="https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/463/text">https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/463/text</a>	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for S.463. Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day or two after they are introduced on the floor of the House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a large number of bills to prepare or when a very large bill has to be printed.
S. 3672 (115th Congress) Honoring all Veterans Act <a href="https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3672/text">https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3672/text</a>	To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a mission statement of the Department of Veterans Affairs. The mission statement of the Department shall be as follows: 'To fulfill President Lincoln's promise to care for those 'who shall have borne the battle' and for their families, caregivers, and survivors.'
Tulsi Gabbard (House of Representative D-HI)	
H.R. 1249 (116th Congress) To prohibit the Secretary of Defense from obligating or expending funds for missiles banned by the INF Treaty. (Intermediate Nuclear Force)  https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1249/text  H.R. 6495 (115th Congress) Marijuana Data Collection Act https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-	As of 02/20/2019 text has not been received for H.R. 1249. Bills are generally sent to the Library of Congress from GPO, the Government Publishing Office, a day or two after they are introduced on the floor of the House or Senate. Delays can occur when there are a large number of bills to prepare or when a very large bill has to be printed.  Despite problems with marijuana, more states and more people think it should be legalized. For example, a robust and properly regulated marijuana industry
bill/6495/text	wherein States are allowed to operate marijuana programs free from Federal interference stands to benefit States' public health, education, economic, and law enforcement and judicial sectors.

John Delaney (Former House of	
Representatives D-MD)	
H.R. 7103 (115th Congress) Suicide Prevention	To authorize a pilot program under which the
Analytics Act	Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-	through the Director of the Centers for Disease
bill/7103/text	Control and Prevention, expands and intensifies
	surveillance of self-harm and suicidal ideation
	behavior in partnership with State and local public
	health departments, and for other purposes.
H.R. 6590 (115th Congress) CAMRA Act	To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a
https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-	program on children and the media within the National
<u>bill/6590/text</u>	Institutes of Health to study the health and
	developmental effects of technology on infants,
	children, and adolescents.