

# House Veteran Legislation

## 13 November 08

Of the 7271 pieces of legislation introduced in the 110th Congress to date by your Representatives, the following 342 resolutions & bills are of interest to the non-active duty veteran community. A good indication on the likelihood a bill of being forwarded to the Senate for passage and subsequently being signed into law by the President is the number of cosponsors who have signed onto the bill. The member who introduces the bill is considered the sponsor. A cosponsor is a member of Congress who has joined one or more members in his/her chamber (i.e. House or Senate) to sponsor a bill or amendment. Any number of members may cosponsor a bill in the House or Senate. At <http://thomas.loc.gov> you can review a copy of each bill, determine its current status, the committee it has been assigned to, and if your legislator is a sponsor or cosponsor of it. To determine what bills, amendments your representative has sponsored, cosponsored, or dropped sponsorship on refer to <http://thomas.loc.gov/bss/d110/sponlst.html>. The key to increasing cosponsorship is letting our senators know of veterans feelings on issues. You can locate on <http://thomas.loc.gov> who your representative is and his/her phone number, mailing address, or email/website to communicate with a message or letter of your own making:

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1. H.CON.RES.5: Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.  
Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 1/4/2007)    Cosponsors (22)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 1/31/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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  2. H.CON.RES.60: Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr. [NJ-6] (introduced 2/7/2007)    Cosponsors (19)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/6/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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  3. H.CON.RES.106: Expressing the sense of Congress that a site in Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of the 40 members of the Armed Forces who lost their lives in the air crash at Bakers Creek, Australia, on June 14, 1943.  
Sponsor: Rep Capito, Shelley Moore [WV-2] (introduced 3/29/2007)    Cosponsors (10)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/29/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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  4. H.CON.RES.336: Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.  
Sponsor: Rep Altmire, Jason [PA-4] (introduced 4/29/2008)    Cosponsors (102)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/11/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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  5. H.RES.237: Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.  
Sponsor: Rep Baca, Joe [CA-43] (introduced 3/12/2007)    Cosponsors (42)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/23/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

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6. H.RES.367: Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Sponsor: Rep Sali, Bill [ID-1] (introduced 5/2/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Natural Resources; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Readiness.

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7. H.RES.392: Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 5/10/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/23/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

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8. H.RES.656: Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Secretary of Defense, and the Congress should take immediate action to implement the recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Walsh, James T. [NY-25] (introduced 9/17/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/19/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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9. H.RES.680: Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

Sponsor: Rep Carter, John R. [TX-31] (introduced 9/25/2007) Cosponsors (118)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/23/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 418 - 0 (Roll no. 989).

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10. H.RES.744: Recognizing the contributions of Native American veterans and calling upon the President to issue a proclamation urging the people of the United States to observe a day in honor of Native American veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Heather [NM-1] (introduced 10/15/2007) Cosponsors (13)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/5/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 351 - 0 (Roll no. 1036).

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11. H.RES.770: Expressing support for designation of a National Veterans History Project Week to encourage public participation in a nationwide project that collects and preserves the stories of the men and women who served our nation in times of war and conflict.

Sponsor: Rep Porter, Jon C. [NV-3] (introduced 10/23/2007) Cosponsors (24)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/5/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

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12. H.RES.783: Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration employees, volunteers, and veterans' service organizations that perform funeral honors and memorial honor details should be permitted to recite the 13 steps to fold an American flag (known as the "13-fold recital") at any national cemetery if requested by the family of the deceased.

Sponsor: Rep LaTourette, Steven C. [OH-14] (introduced 10/30/2007) Cosponsors (85)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/30/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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13. H.RES.790: Commending the people of the State of Washington for showing their support for the needs of the State of Washington's veterans and encouraging residents of other States to pursue creative ways to show their own support for veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Baird, Brian [WA-3] (introduced 11/1/2007) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/14/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 383 - 0 (Roll no. 66).

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14. H.RES.946: Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.

Sponsor: Rep Kuhl, John R. "Randy", Jr. [NY-29] (introduced 1/29/2008) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/29/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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15. H.RES.963: Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 2/7/2008) Cosponsors (31)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/14/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 384 - 0 (Roll no. 67).

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16. H.RES.1054: Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Davis, Susan A. [CA-53] (introduced 3/14/2008) Cosponsors (47)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/20/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

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17. H.RES.1098: Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 4/10/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 409 - 0 (Roll no. 470).

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18. H.RES.1220: Honoring the lives of Dr. Victor Westphall and Mrs. Jeanne Westphall and their contributions to the Nation's veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Udall, Tom [NM-3] (introduced 5/22/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

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19. H.RES.1231: Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

Sponsor: Rep Shuler, Heath [NC-11] (introduced 5/22/2008) Cosponsors (66)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

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20. H.RES.1235: Expressing support for the designation of National D-Day Remembrance Day, and recognizing the spirit, courage, and sacrifice of the men and women who fought and won World War II.

Sponsor: Rep Scalise, Steve [LA-1] (introduced 6/3/2008) Cosponsors (17)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 406 - 0 (Roll no. 402).

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21. H.RES.1287: Commending the Honor Flight Network, its volunteers, and donors, for enabling World War II veterans to travel to our Nation's capital to see the World War II Memorial created in their honor.

Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 6/19/2008) Cosponsors (30)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

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22. H.RES.1291: Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 6/20/2008) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 421 - 0 (Roll no. 464).

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23. H.RES.1295: Recognizing and commemorating the efforts and contributions of outstanding female veterans of the Armed Forces, and the vital roles women play today as service members in the defense of the Nation.

Sponsor: Rep Schakowsky, Janice D. [IL-9] (introduced 6/23/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 7/16/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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24. H.RES.1335: Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

Sponsor: Rep Hodes, Paul W. [NH-2] (introduced 7/10/2008) Cosponsors (47)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/17/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 411 - 0 (Roll no. 602).

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25. H.RES.1366: Recognizing Honor Flight Michigan, Inc., for its important work in recognizing World War II veterans and expressing condolences to the family and friends of David Cameron following his death.

Sponsor: Rep Knollenberg, Joe [MI-9] (introduced 7/23/2008) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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26. H.R.23: A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Merchant Mariner Equity Compensation Fund to provide benefits to certain individuals who served in the United States merchant marine (including the Army Transport Service and the Naval Transport Service) during World War II.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (244)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-269 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 9/5/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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27. H.R.67: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the outreach activities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep McIntyre, Mike [NC-7] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (32)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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28. H.R.81: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that members of the Armed Forces and Selected Reserve may transfer certain educational assistance benefits to dependents, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Bartlett, Roscoe G. [MD-6] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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29. H.R.92: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish standards of access to care for veterans seeking health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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30. H.R.112: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of stipends to veterans who pursue doctoral degrees in science or technology.

Sponsor: Rep Davis, Jo Ann [VA-1] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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31. H.R.156: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who died on or before September 30, 1999, under the same eligibility conditions as apply to payment of dependency and indemnity compensation to the survivors of former prisoners of war who die after that date.

Sponsor: Rep Holden, Tim [PA-17] (introduced 1/4/2007) Cosponsors (31)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/19/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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32. H.R.295: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 1/5/2007) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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33. H.R.303: To amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain additional retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation and to eliminate the phase-in period under current law with respect to such concurrent receipt.

Sponsor: Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. [FL-9] (introduced 1/5/2007) Cosponsors (198)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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34. H.R.315: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with community health care providers to improve access to health care for veterans in highly rural areas, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Pearce, Stevan [NM-2] (introduced 1/5/2007) Cosponsors (22)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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35. H.R.327: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Boswell, Leonard L. [IA-3] (introduced 1/9/2007) Cosponsors (152)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-55

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-110 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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36. H.R.331: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study of the accuracy of expiration dates on certain prescription drugs maintained by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 1/9/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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37. H.R.333: To amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated less than 50 percent to receive concurrent payment of both retired pay and veterans' disability compensation, to eliminate the phase-in period for concurrent receipt, to extend eligibility for concurrent receipt and combat-related special compensation to chapter 61 disability retirees with less than 20 years of service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Marshall, Jim [GA-8] (introduced 1/9/2007) Cosponsors (93)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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38. H.R.339: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve access to medical services for veterans seeking treatment at Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinics with exceptionally long waiting periods.

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 1/9/2007)    Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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39. H.R.358: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and make permanent the Department of Veterans Affairs benefit for Government markers for marked graves of veterans buried in private cemeteries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Reichert, David G. [WA-8] (introduced 1/9/2007)    Cosponsors (67)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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40. H.R.366: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Sullivan, John [OK-1] (introduced 1/10/2007)    Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-156 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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41. H.R.402: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for annual cost-of-living adjustments to be made automatically by law each year in the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Knollenberg, Joe [MI-9] (introduced 1/11/2007)    Cosponsors (37)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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42. H.R.446: To enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. [FL-9] (introduced 1/12/2007)    Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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43. H.R.447: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that World War II merchant mariners who were awarded the Mariners Medal shall be provided eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs health care on the same basis as veterans who have been awarded the Purple Heart.

Sponsor: Rep Fortenberry, Jeff [NE-1] (introduced 1/12/2007)    Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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44. H.R.463: To amend title 38, United States Code, to terminate the administrative freeze on the enrollment into the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs of veterans in the lowest priority category for enrollment (referred to as "Priority 8").

Sponsor: Rep Rothman, Steven R. [NJ-9] (introduced 1/12/2007) Cosponsors (55)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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45. H.R.474: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".  
Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Heather [NM-1] (introduced 1/16/2007) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.  
Note: For further action, see S.229, which became Public Law 110-45 on 7/5/2007.

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46. H.R.508: To require United States military disengagement from Iraq, to provide United States assistance for reconstruction and reconciliation in Iraq, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Woolsey, Lynn C. [CA-6] (introduced 1/17/2007) Cosponsors (52)  
Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Rules; House Judiciary  
Latest Major Action: 3/20/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee Hearings Held.

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47. H.R.513: A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of members of the reserve component who serve on active duty in support of a contingency operation, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Brady, Robert A. [PA-1] (introduced 1/17/2007) Cosponsors (22)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/6/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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48. H.R.538: To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.  
Sponsor: Rep Ortiz, Solomon P. [TX-27] (introduced 1/17/2007) Cosponsors (15)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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49. H.R.542: To require the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide mental health services in languages other than English, as needed, for veterans with limited English proficiency, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Solis, Hilda L. [CA-32] (introduced 1/17/2007) Cosponsors (27)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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50. H.R.585: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the number of individuals qualifying for retroactive benefits from traumatic injury protection coverage under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance.  
Sponsor: Rep Herseth, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 1/19/2007) Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/19/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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51. H.R.612: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the period of eligibility for health care for combat service in the Persian Gulf War or future hostilities from two years to five years after discharge or release.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 1/22/2007) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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52. H.R.650: To provide for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a pilot program to determine the effectiveness of contracting for the use of private memory care facilities for veterans with Alzheimer's Disease.

Sponsor: Rep Reynolds, Thomas M. [NY-26] (introduced 1/24/2007) Cosponsors (13)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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53. H.R.653: To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow the sworn affidavit of a veteran who served in combat during the Korean War or an earlier conflict to be accepted as proof of service-connection of a disease or injury alleged to have been incurred or aggravated by such service.

Sponsor: Rep Reynolds, Thomas M. [NY-26] (introduced 1/24/2007) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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54. H.R.674: To amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the provision of law requiring termination of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans as of December 31, 2009.

Sponsor: Rep Gutierrez, Luis V. [IL-4] (introduced 1/24/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-772

Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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55. H.R.675: To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of assistance available to disabled veterans for specially adapted housing and to provide for annual increases in such amount.

Sponsor: Rep Herseith, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 1/24/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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56. H.R.704: To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce from age 57 to age 55 the age after which the remarriage of the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran shall not result in termination of dependency and indemnity compensation otherwise payable to that surviving spouse.

Sponsor: Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. [FL-9] (introduced 1/29/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/19/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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57. H.R.760: To amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and the Philippine Scouts to have been active service for purposes of benefits under programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 1/31/2007) Cosponsors (116)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/17/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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58. H.R.797: An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve low-vision benefits matters, matters relating to burial and memorial affairs, and other matters under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Baldwin, Tammy [WI-2] (introduced 2/5/2007) Cosponsors (64)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-57

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-157 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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59. H.R.941: To authorize the conveyance of a portion of the campus of the Illiana Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs to Danville Area Community College of Vermilion County, Illinois.

Sponsor: Rep Johnson, Timothy V. [IL-15] (introduced 2/8/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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60. H.R.963: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that the rate of reimbursement for motor vehicle travel under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs shall be the same as the rate for private vehicle reimbursement for Federal employees.

Sponsor: Rep Stupak, Bart [MI-1] (introduced 2/8/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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61. H.R.1041: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide an enhanced funding process to ensure an adequate level of funding for veterans health care programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to establish standards of access to care for veterans seeking health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Christopher H. [NJ-4] (introduced 2/14/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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62. H.R.1102: To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title certain educational assistance programs for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, to improve such programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Snyder, Vic [AR-2] (introduced 2/15/2007) Cosponsors (82)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 3/14/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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63. H.R.1137: To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase to \$2,000 the amount of the Medal of Honor special pension under that title and to provide for payment of that pension to the surviving spouse of a deceased Medal of Honor recipient.

Sponsor: Rep Brown, Henry E., Jr. [SC-1] (introduced 2/16/2007) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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64. H.R.1197: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.

Sponsor: Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. [FL-9] (introduced 2/27/2007) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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65. H.R.1211: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide entitlement to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill for members of the Selected Reserve who aggregate more than two years of active duty service in any five year period, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Matheson, Jim [UT-2] (introduced 2/27/2007) Cosponsors (69)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 3/28/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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66. H.R.1214: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Ramstad, Jim [MN-3] (introduced 2/27/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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67. H.R.1226: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the basic educational assistance program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Johnson, Timothy V. [IL-15] (introduced 2/28/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 3/28/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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68. H.R.1240: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a scholarship program for students seeking a degree or certificate in the areas of visual impairment and orientation and mobility.

Sponsor: Rep Jackson-Lee, Sheila [TX-18] (introduced 2/28/2007) Cosponsors (23)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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69. H.R.1253: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, as the "Charles W. Lindberg Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 2/28/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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70. H.R.1272: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 3/1/2007) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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71. H.R.1273: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to restore plot allowance eligibility for veterans of any war and to restore the headstone or marker allowance for eligible persons.

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 3/1/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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72. H.R.1284: To increase, effective as of December 1, 2007, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 3/1/2007) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-56

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-111 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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73. H.R.1315: A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the benefits provided to veterans under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 3/5/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-266

Latest Major Action: 8/3/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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74. H.R.1318: To amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the authority for agent or attorney representation in veterans benefits cases before the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Ron [KY-2] (introduced 3/5/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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75. H.R.1323: To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.

Sponsor: Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 3/5/2007) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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76. H.R.1354: To amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve benefits and services for members of the Armed Forces, veterans of the Global War on Terrorism, and other veterans, to require reports on the effects of the Global War on Terrorism, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Moran, James P. [VA-8] (introduced 3/6/2007) Cosponsors (57)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 4/3/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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77. H.R.1370: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs an Office of National Veterans Sports Programs and Special Events.  
Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 3/7/2007) Cosponsors (5)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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78. H.R.1382: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.  
Sponsor: Rep Kuhl, John R. "Randy", Jr. [NY-29] (introduced 3/7/2007) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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79. H.R.1426: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans enrolled in the health system of the Department of Veterans Affairs the option of receiving covered health services through facilities other than those of the Department.  
Sponsor: Rep Latham, Tom [IA-4] (introduced 3/9/2007) Cosponsors (13)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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80. H.R.1435: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a pilot program to reduce the backlog of claims for benefits pending with the Department of Veterans Affairs.  
Sponsor: Rep Baca, Joe [CA-43] (introduced 3/9/2007) Cosponsors (19)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/17/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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81. H.R.1436: To amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation.  
Sponsor: Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. [FL-9] (introduced 3/9/2007) Cosponsors (19)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/3/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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82. H.R.1444: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 3/9/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/17/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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83. H.R.1448: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a Hospital Quality Report Card Initiative to report on health care quality in Department of Veterans Affairs hospitals.

Sponsor: Rep Lowey, Nita M. [NY-18] (introduced 3/9/2007)    Cosponsors (23)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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84. H.R.1470: To amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 3/12/2007)    Cosponsors (16)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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85. H.R.1471: To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 3/12/2007)    Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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86. H.R.1472: To amend title 38, United States Code, to eliminate the deductible and change the method of determining the mileage reimbursement rate under the beneficiary travel program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Barrow, John [GA-12] (introduced 3/12/2007)    Cosponsors (11)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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87. H.R.1490: To provide for a presumption of service-connectedness for certain claims for benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (by request) (introduced 3/13/2007)    Cosponsors (19)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/17/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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88. H.R.1511: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide relief with respect to rent and mortgage payments for members of the reserve components who are called to active duty and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a refundable credit to lessors for payments foregone by reason of such relief.

Sponsor: Rep Rohrabacher, Dana [CA-46] (introduced 3/13/2007)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/13/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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.

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89. H.R.1527: A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a pilot program to permit certain highly rural veterans enrolled in the health system of the Department of Veterans Affairs to receive covered health services through providers other than those of the Department.

Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 3/14/2007)    Cosponsors (30)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
House Reports: 110-817  
Latest Major Action: 9/11/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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90. H.R.1538: To amend title 10, United States Code, to improve the management of medical care, personnel actions, and quality of life issues for members of the Armed Forces who are receiving medical care in an outpatient status, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (introduced 3/15/2007)    Cosponsors (28)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Armed Services  
House Reports: 110-68 Part 1  
Latest Major Action: 7/25/2007 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

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91. H.R.1541: To provide support and assistance for families of members of the National Guard and Reserve who are undergoing deployment, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Braley, Bruce L. [IA-1] (introduced 3/15/2007)    Cosponsors (15)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/3/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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92. H.R.1546: To authorize members of the Armed Forces receiving outpatient care at Walter Reed Army Medical Center to receive such care through the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 3/15/2007)    Cosponsors (15)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/3/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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93. H.R.1594: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.  
Sponsor: Rep English, Phil [PA-3] (introduced 3/20/2007)    Cosponsors (23)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-410 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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94. H.R.1598: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to protect the credit of servicemembers deployed to an overseas combat zone and to facilitate awareness of a servicemember's rights under such Act, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Israel, Steve [NY-2] (introduced 3/20/2007)    Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Financial Services  
Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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95. H.R.1632: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.  
Sponsor: Rep Reichert, David G. [WA-8] (introduced 3/21/2007)    Cosponsors (10)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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96. H.R.1641: To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title certain educational assistance programs for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces.  
Sponsor: Rep Snyder, Vic [AR-2] (introduced 3/22/2007) Cosponsors (12)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 4/18/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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97. H.R.1642: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that, to the extent possible, an enhanced-use lease for a homeless housing project at the Department of Veterans Affairs facility known as the Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center, located in North Hills, California, shall provide that such housing project shall be maintained as a sober living facility for veterans only, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Sherman, Brad [CA-27] (introduced 3/22/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/8/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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98. H.R.1660: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.  
Sponsor: Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 3/22/2007) Cosponsors (8)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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99. H.R.1702: To reallocate funds toward sensible priorities such as improved children's education, increased children's access to health care, expanded job training, and increased energy efficiency and conservation through a reduction of wasteful defense spending, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Woolsey, Lynn C. [CA-6] (introduced 3/26/2007) Cosponsors (44)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Homeland Security; House Foreign Affairs; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

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100. H.R.1732: To provide alternative retired pay rates under title 10, United States Code, and alternative disability compensation rates under title 38, United States Code, for members of the Armed Forces with a combat-related disability, with such rates based on the average monthly salary for high school graduates in the United States, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Bartlett, Roscoe G. [MD-6] (introduced 3/28/2007) Cosponsors (36)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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101. H.R.1750: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend from 90 days to one year the period after release of a member of the Armed Forces from active duty during which the member is protected from mortgage foreclosure under that Act.  
Sponsor: Rep Wynn, Albert Russell [MD-4] (introduced 3/28/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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102. H.R.1808: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".  
Sponsor: Rep Kingston, Jack [GA-1] (introduced 3/29/2007) Cosponsors (82)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-112 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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103. H.R.1812: To provide for coverage of hormone replacement therapy for treatment of menopausal symptoms, and for coverage of an alternative therapy for hormone replacement therapy for such symptoms, under the Medicare and Medicaid Programs, group health plans and individual health insurance coverage, and other Federal health insurance programs.  
Sponsor: Rep Lee, Barbara [CA-9] (introduced 3/29/2007) Cosponsors (7)  
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

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104. H.R.1824: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the scope of programs of education for which accelerated payments of educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill may be used, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 3/29/2007) Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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105. H.R.1853: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that Department of Veterans Affairs police officers receive training to interact with visitors and patients at Department medical facilities who are suffering from mental illness.  
Sponsor: Rep Watson, Diane E. [CA-33] (introduced 3/29/2007) Cosponsors (5)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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106. H.R.1863: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a two-year pilot program to use a mobile processing unit to perform certain services of the Department of Veterans Affairs.  
Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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107. H.R.1864: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for the automated processing of veterans disability compensation claims.  
Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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108. H.R.1879: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to convey the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center located in Marlin, Texas, to the State of Texas.  
Sponsor: Rep Carter, John R. [TX-31] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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109. H.R.1900: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for pension benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to veterans who received an expeditionary medal during a period of military service other than a period of war.

Sponsor: Rep Rahall, Nick J., II [WV-3] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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110. H.R.1901: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for pension benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to veterans who served during certain periods of time in specified locations.

Sponsor: Rep Rahall, Nick J., II [WV-3] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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111. H.R.1925: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a separate Veterans Integrated Service Network for the Gulf Coast region of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 4/18/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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112. H.R.1944: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to screen certain veterans for symptoms of traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Altmire, Jason [PA-4] (introduced 4/19/2007) Cosponsors (71)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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113. H.R.1969: To exempt from payment of individual contributions under the Montgomery GI Bill enlisted members of the Armed Forces in pay grade E-5 or below and to provide an opportunity for members of the Armed Forces serving on active duty to withdraw an election not to enroll in education benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill.

Sponsor: Rep Terry, Lee [NE-2] (introduced 4/19/2007) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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114. H.R.2005: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care for veterans who live in rural areas, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 4/23/2007) Cosponsors (48)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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115. H.R.2026: To amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans.  
Sponsor: Rep Jones, Walter B., Jr. [NC-3] (introduced 4/25/2007) Cosponsors (3)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/28/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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116. H.R.2172: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require that all Department of Veterans Affairs orthotic-prosthetic laboratories, clinics, and prosthetists are certified by either the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics or the Board of Orthotics and Prosthetic Certification, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Reyes, Silvestre [TX-16] (introduced 5/3/2007) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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117. H.R.2173: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize additional funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs to increase the capacity for provision of mental health services through contracts with community mental health centers, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 5/3/2007) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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118. H.R.2179: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers.  
Sponsor: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 5/3/2007) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/3/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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119. H.R.2189: To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep DeLauro, Rosa L. [CT-3] (introduced 5/7/2007) Cosponsors (49)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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120. H.R.2190: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Advisory Committee on Rural Veterans.  
Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 5/7/2007) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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121. H.R.2192: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.  
Sponsor: Rep Hodes, Paul W. [NH-2] (introduced 5/7/2007) Cosponsors (44)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
House Reports: 110-773

Latest Major Action: 7/30/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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122. H.R.2199: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain improvements in the treatment of individuals with traumatic brain injuries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 5/8/2007) Cosponsors (36)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-166

Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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123. H.R.2201: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Committee on Care of Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury.

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 5/8/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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124. H.R.2219: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award a grant to a private, nonprofit entity to establish, publicize, and operate a national toll-free suicide prevention telephone hotline targeted to and staffed by veterans of the Armed Forces.

Sponsor: Rep Moran, James P. [VA-8] (introduced 5/8/2007) Cosponsors (29)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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125. H.R.2225: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit a report to Congress providing a master plan for the use of the West Los Angeles Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, California, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (introduced 5/8/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

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126. H.R.2226: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide readjustment counseling and related mental health services to veterans through the use of mobile centers.

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 5/8/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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127. H.R.2239: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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128. H.R.2245: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Wenatchee, Washington, as the Elwood "Bud" Link Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.

Sponsor: Rep Hastings, Doc [WA-4] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-302 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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129. H.R.2247: To amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to repeal the 10-year limit on use of Montgomery GI Bill educational assistance benefits, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Larsen, Rick [WA-2] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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130. H.R.2257: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase the number of benefits claims representatives employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and to ensure that there are not fewer than two such claims representatives located at each center for the provision of readjustment counseling and related mental health services established under section 1712A of title 38, United States Code (commonly referred to as a "vet center"), to help reduce the backlog of claims pending with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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131. H.R.2258: To direct the Secretary of Defense to ensure that every member of the Armed Forces undergoes a medical examination prior to separation or discharge, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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132. H.R.2259: To ensure that members of the National Guard and Reserves are able to fully participate in the benefits delivery at discharge program administered jointly by the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide information and assistance on available benefits and other transition assistance to members of the Armed Forces who are separating from the Armed Forces.

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 5/9/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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133. H.R.2292: To prohibit the payment of bonuses to certain officers of the Department of Veterans Affairs unless fewer than 100,000 disability compensation claims are pending before the Department.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 5/14/2007) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 5/22/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

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134. H.R.2346: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a process for determining whether a geographic area is sufficiently served by the national cemeteries located in that geographic area.

Sponsor: Rep Fossella, Vito [NY-13] (introduced 5/16/2007)    Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/22/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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135. H.R.2378: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a financial assistance program to facilitate the provision of supportive services for very low-income veteran families in permanent housing, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 5/17/2007)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 6/14/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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136. H.R.2385: To provide and enhance education, housing, and entrepreneur assistance for veterans who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Patrick J. [PA-8] (introduced 5/17/2007)    Cosponsors (6)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; House Small Business  
Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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137. H.R.2408: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Green Bay, Wisconsin, as the "Milo C. Huempfer Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Kagen, Steve [WI-8] (introduced 5/21/2007)    Cosponsors (8)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-145 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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138. H.R.2417: To amend title 38, United States Code, and title 10, United States Code, to provide for an opportunity for active duty personnel to withdraw an election not to participate in the program of educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill.

Sponsor: Rep Visclosky, Peter J. [IN-1] (introduced 5/21/2007)    Cosponsors (61)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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139. H.R.2434: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide regular notice to individuals submitting claims for benefits administered by the Secretary on the status of such claims.

Sponsor: Rep Drake, Thelma D. [VA-2] (introduced 5/22/2007)    Cosponsors (5)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/29/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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140. H.R.2475: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to guarantee home equity conversion mortgages for elderly veteran homeowners.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 5/24/2007)    Cosponsors (3)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Financial Services  
Latest Major Action: 12/10/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit.

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141. H.R.2514: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

Sponsor: Rep Hare, Phil [IL-17] (introduced 5/24/2007) Cosponsors (127)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/29/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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142. H.R.2540: To amend title 38, United State Code, to provide for the treatment of period of service in uniformed services as continued employment for purposes of pension and retirement benefits for individuals who die during the period of service.

Sponsor: Rep Pomeroy, Earl [ND] (introduced 5/24/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/29/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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143. H.R.2546: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Sponsor: Rep Shuler, Heath [NC-11] (introduced 5/24/2007) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-117 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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144. H.R.2551: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery in Sarpy County, Nebraska, to serve veterans in eastern Nebraska and western Iowa.

Sponsor: Rep Terry, Lee [NE-2] (introduced 5/24/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/29/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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145. H.R.2579: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the use of funds in the Department of Veterans Affairs readjustment benefits accounts and funds appropriated for such purpose to provide funding for State approving agencies.

Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 6/6/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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146. H.R.2602: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain, Michigan, as the "Oscar G. Johnson Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility".

Sponsor: Rep Stupak, Bart [MI-1] (introduced 6/6/2007) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-118 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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147. H.R.2623: To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the collection of copayments for all hospice care furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 6/7/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-267

Latest Major Action: 8/3/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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148. H.R.2681: To provide for the maintenance, management, and availability for research of assets of the Air Force Health Study.

Sponsor: Rep Brown, Corrine [FL-3] (introduced 6/12/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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149. H.R.2689: To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program for the provision of readjustment and mental health services to veterans who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 6/12/2007) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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150. H.R.2696: To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase assistance for veterans interred in cemeteries other than national cemeteries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 6/13/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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151. H.R.2697: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for veterans' mortgage life insurance to include members of the Armed Forces receiving specially adapted housing assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 6/13/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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152. H.R.2699: To amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal authority for adjustments to per diem payments to homeless veterans service centers for receipt of other sources of income, to extend authorities for certain programs to benefit homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Patrick J. [PA-8] (introduced 6/13/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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153. H.R.2702: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [VA-3] (introduced 6/13/2007) Cosponsors (127)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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154. H.R.2721: To amend title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop, and the Secretary of Defense to distribute to members of the Armed Forces upon their discharge or release from active duty, information in a compact disk read-only memory format that lists and explains

the health, education, and other benefits for which veterans are eligible under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Cardoza, Dennis A. [CA-18] (introduced 6/14/2007) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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155. H.R.2790: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physician Assistant Services within the office of the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health.

Sponsor: Rep Hare, Phil [IL-17] (introduced 6/20/2007) Cosponsors (25)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-642

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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156. H.R.2795: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to set the rate of reimbursement under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs at \$0.21 per mile.

Sponsor: Rep Pearce, Stevan [NM-2] (introduced 6/20/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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157. H.R.2818: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of epilepsy centers of excellence in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Perlmutter, Ed [CO-7] (introduced 6/21/2007) Cosponsors (135)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-722

Latest Major Action: 6/25/2008 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 837.

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158. H.R.2855: To provide for transitional emergency assistance to certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are severely injured while serving on active duty, to expand and improve programs for caregiver services for those members and veterans, to require improved screening and care for traumatic brain injury for returning servicemembers and veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 6/25/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 7/25/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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159. H.R.2874: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of health care to veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 6/27/2007) Cosponsors (23)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-268

Latest Major Action: 8/3/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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160. H.R.2899: To designate the Department of Veteran Affairs outpatient clinic located at 417 West 4th Avenue in Albany, Georgia, as the "Walter Carl Jordan, Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [GA-2] (introduced 6/28/2007) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/3/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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161. H.R.2910: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for reimbursement to members of the Armed Forces of tuition for programs of education delayed by military service, for deferment of students loans and reduced interest rates for members of the Armed Forces during periods of military service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Davis, Susan A. [CA-53] (introduced 6/28/2007) Cosponsors (78)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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162. H.R.3008: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.

Sponsor: Rep Wu, David [OR-1] (introduced 7/11/2007) Cosponsors (31)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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163. H.R.3040: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math.

Sponsor: Rep Space, Zachary T. [OH-18] (introduced 7/12/2007) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 8/8/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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164. H.R.3047: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of claims for benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 7/16/2007) Cosponsors (26)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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165. H.R.3051: To improve the diagnosis and treatment of traumatic brain injury in members and former members of the Armed Forces, to review and expand telehealth and telemental health programs of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 7/16/2007) Cosponsors (48)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 9/9/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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166. H.R.3065: To amend title 38 United States Code, to modify the rate of reimbursement of State and local agencies administering veterans education benefits.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 7/17/2007) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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167. H.R.3070: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize additional compensation to be paid to certain veterans in receipt of compensation for a service-connected disability rated totally disabling for whom a family member dependent on the veteran for support provides care.

Sponsor: Rep Peterson, Collin C. [MN-7] (introduced 7/17/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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168. H.R.3082: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the time limitation for the use of entitlement to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill for certain persons actively pursuing a qualifying educational degree or certificate.

Sponsor: Rep Carson, Julia [IN-7] (introduced 7/18/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 8/14/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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169. H.R.3102: To increase the authorization for the major medical facility project to consolidate the medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs at the University Drive and H. John Heinz III divisions, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sponsor: Rep Doyle, Michael F. [PA-14] (introduced 7/19/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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170. H.R.3103: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide partial payment for nursing home care to eligible veterans at a non-Department of Veterans Affairs nursing home of the veteran's choice, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Drake, Thelma D. [VA-2] (introduced 7/19/2007) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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171. H.R.3210: To provide medical care and other benefits for members and former members of the Armed Forces with severe injuries or illnesses.

Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 7/27/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/25/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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172. H.R.3249: To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 7/31/2007) Cosponsors (25)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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173. H.R.3286: To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce the period of time for which a veteran must be totally disabled before the veteran's survivors are eligible for the benefits provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for survivors of certain veterans rated totally disabled at time of death.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 8/1/2007) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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174. H.R.3298: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow individuals called to military service to terminate or suspend certain service contracts entered into before the individual receives notice of a permanent change of station or deployment orders and to provide penalties for violations of interest rate limitations.

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Patrick J. [PA-8] (introduced 8/1/2007) Cosponsors (90)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

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175. H.R.3338: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to expand the capability of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide for the medical-care needs of veterans in southern New Jersey.

Sponsor: Rep LoBiondo, Frank A. [NJ-2] (introduced 8/2/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 8/20/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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176. H.R.3393: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' reemployment rights under chapter 43 of such title, to exempt claims brought under that chapter from arbitration under chapter 1 of title 9 of such Code, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Davis, Artur [AL-7] (introduced 8/3/2007) Cosponsors (13)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/16/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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177. H.R.3415: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the placement in a national cemetery of memorial markers for the purpose of commemorating servicemembers or other persons whose remains are interred in an American Battle Monuments Commission cemetery.

Sponsor: Rep Langevin, James R. [RI-2] (introduced 8/3/2007) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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178. H.R.3423: To provide that service of the members of the organization known as the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II constituted active military service for purposes of laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Lowey, Nita M. [NY-18] (introduced 8/3/2007) Cosponsors (24)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 9/25/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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179. H.R.3455: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a more equitable geographic allocation of funds appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs for medical care.

Sponsor: Rep Larson, John B. [CT-1] (introduced 8/4/2007)    Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 8/13/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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180. H.R.3458: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.  
Sponsor: Rep Capito, Shelley Moore [WV-2] (introduced 8/4/2007)    Cosponsors (8)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/7/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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181. H.R.3467: To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.  
Sponsor: Rep Yarmuth, John A. [KY-3] (introduced 8/4/2007)    Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 8/4/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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182. H.R.3489: To require that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense enter into a sharing agreement with Eglin Air Force Base Hospital for the provision of inpatient services to veterans in Northwest Florida, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 9/6/2007)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 9/25/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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183. H.R.3502: To provide for the prompt implementation of those recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors that require congressional action.  
Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 9/7/2007)    Cosponsors (7)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Administration  
Latest Major Action: 10/17/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

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184. H.R.3553: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and improve certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 9/17/2007)    Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/21/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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185. H.R.3558: To provide for the establishment of a Center of Excellence in Prevention, Diagnosis, Mitigation, Treatment, and Rehabilitation of Military Eye Injuries, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 9/18/2007)    Cosponsors (31)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 10/19/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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186. H.R.3581: To clarify the roles of the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs disability evaluation systems for retirement and compensation of members of the Armed Forces for disability, to require the development of a single physical exam that can be used to determine both fitness for duty and disability ratings, to standardize fitness testing among the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Jones, Walter B., Jr. [NC-3] (introduced 9/19/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/19/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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187. H.R.3620: To provide for a comprehensive national research effort on the physical and mental health and other readjustment needs of the members of the Armed Forces and veterans who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom and their families.

Sponsor: Rep Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [MI-13] (introduced 9/20/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/19/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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188. H.R.3645: To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

Sponsor: Rep Space, Zachary T. [OH-18] (introduced 9/24/2007) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor; House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 10/19/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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189. H.R.3646: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Labor to conduct a joint study on the fields of employment for which the greatest need for employees exists in various geographic areas.

Sponsor: Rep Stearns, Cliff [FL-6] (introduced 9/24/2007) Cosponsors (45)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/16/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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190. H.R.3681: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to advertise in the national media to promote awareness of benefits under laws administered by the Secretary.

Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 9/27/2007) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-644

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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191. H.R.3741: For the relief of certain members of the First Brigade Combat Team of the 34th Infantry Division of the Army National Guard.

Sponsor: Rep Kline, John [MN-2] (introduced 10/3/2007) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/5/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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192. H.R.3786: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow individuals called to military service to terminate telecommunications contracts entered into before the individual receives notice of a permanent change of station or deployment orders.

Sponsor: Rep Lofgren, Zoe [CA-16] (introduced 10/9/2007) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/19/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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193. H.R.3794: To improve the availability of benefits for veterans and the surviving spouses of veterans who were exposed while in military service to ionizing radiation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 10/10/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Judiciary; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

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194. H.R.3795: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that veterans of service in the 1991 Persian Gulf War and subsequent conflicts shall be considered to be radiation-exposed veterans for purposes of the service-connection of certain diseases and disabilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 10/10/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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195. H.R.3798: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty.

Sponsor: Rep Hayes, Robin [NC-8] (introduced 10/10/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/16/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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196. H.R.3819: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reimburse veterans receiving emergency treatment in non-Department of Veterans Affairs facilities for such treatment until such veterans are transferred to Department facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Space, Zachary T. [OH-18] (introduced 10/10/2007) Cosponsors (48)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-638

Latest Major Action: 5/22/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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197. H.R.3856: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the right of deployed members of the Armed Forces who are elected members of State and local legislatures to vote on matters pending before such legislatures.

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Patrick J. [PA-8] (introduced 10/16/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/16/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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198. H.R.3882: To amend title 38, United States Code, to change the length of the obligated period of service on active duty required for receiving certain education benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 10/17/2007) Cosponsors (130)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/7/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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199. H.R.3889: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a longitudinal study of the vocational rehabilitation programs administered by the Secretary.

Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 10/18/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-640

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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200. H.R.3954: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reimburse certain volunteers who provide funeral honors details at the funerals of veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 10/24/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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201. H.R.3990: To reduce sexual assault and domestic violence involving members of the Armed Forces and their family members and partners through enhanced programs of prevention and deterrence, enhanced programs of victims services, and strengthened provisions for prosecution of assailants, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [NY-28] (introduced 10/29/2007) Cosponsors (59)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Judiciary; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/5/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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202. H.R.4012: To establish a grant program to provide Native American veterans with language resources to facilitate access to medical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Heather [NM-1] (introduced 10/30/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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203. H.R.4020: To recognize the extraordinary performance of the Armed Forces in achieving the military objectives of the United States in Iraq, to encourage the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe a national day of celebration commemorating military success in Iraq, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Jackson-Lee, Sheila [TX-18] (introduced 10/31/2007) Cosponsors (15)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Foreign Affairs; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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204. H.R.4023: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the collective bargaining rights and procedures for review of adverse actions of certain employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 10/31/2007) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/31/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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205. H.R.4052: To amend title 38, United States Code, to revise the eligibility criteria for presumption of service-connection of certain diseases and disabilities for veterans exposed to ionizing radiation during military service, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Abercrombie, Neil [HI-1] (introduced 11/1/2007) Cosponsors (15)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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206. H.R.4053: To improve the treatment and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and substance use disorders, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 11/1/2007) Cosponsors (22)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/2/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Note: For further action, see S.2162, which became Public Law 110-387 on 10/10/2008.

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207. H.R.4084: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require a study on the Department of Veterans Affairs schedule for rating disabilities, to provide for the treatment of claims under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of the death of a claimant, to require an annual report on the workload of the Court of Appeals for Veteran Claims, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 11/6/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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208. H.R.4089: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the collective bargaining rights and procedures for review of adverse actions of certain employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 11/6/2007) Cosponsors (27)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/9/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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209. H.R.4107: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and improve health care services available to women veterans, especially those serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 11/7/2007) Cosponsors (22)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 12/5/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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210. H.R.4116: To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.

Sponsor: Rep Burgess, Michael C. [TX-26] (introduced 11/8/2007)    Cosponsors (35)  
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/8/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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.

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211. H.R.4130: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain servicemembers to become eligible for educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill.  
Sponsor: Rep Walberg, Timothy [MI-7] (introduced 11/9/2007)    Cosponsors (22)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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212. H.R.4141: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a plot allowance for spouses and children of certain veterans who are buried in State cemeteries.  
Sponsor: Rep Garrett, Scott [NJ-5] (introduced 11/9/2007)    Cosponsors (41)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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213. H.R.4142: To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit medicare-eligible veterans to receive an out-patient medication benefit, to provide that certain veterans who receive such benefit are not otherwise eligible for medical care and services from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Garrett, Scott [NJ-5] (introduced 11/9/2007)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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214. H.R.4143: To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project in Atlanta, Georgia.  
Sponsor: Rep Gingrey, Phil [GA-11] (introduced 11/9/2007)    Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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215. H.R.4146: To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the availability of emergency medical care for veterans in non-Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities.  
Sponsor: Rep Honda, Michael M. [CA-15] (introduced 11/9/2007)    Cosponsors (9)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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216. H.R.4161: To authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to carry out a pilot program to prevent at-risk veterans and veteran families from falling into homelessness, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Green, Al [TX-9] (introduced 11/13/2007)    Cosponsors (5)  
Committees: House Financial Services; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity.

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217. H.R.4169: To authorize the placement in Arlington National Cemetery of an American Braille tactile flag in Arlington National Cemetery honoring blind members of the Armed Forces, veterans, and other Americans.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 11/13/2007) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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218. H.R.4171: To name the national cemetery to be constructed in Columbia, South Carolina as the Floyd Spence National Cemetery at Fort Jackson, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Joe [SC-2] (introduced 11/13/2007) Cosponsors (47)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.  
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219. H.R.4204: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

Sponsor: Rep Boswell, Leonard L. [IA-3] (introduced 11/15/2007) Cosponsors (67)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.  
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220. H.R.4219: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assign a temporary disability rating to certain members of the Armed Forces upon separation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 11/15/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.  
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221. H.R.4229: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 11/15/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/30/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.  
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222. H.R.4231: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide mental health services to certain veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Sponsor: Rep Kagen, Steve [WI-8] (introduced 11/15/2007) Cosponsors (33)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.  
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223. H.R.4255: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide assistance to the Paralympic Program of the United States Olympic Committee, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 12/4/2007) Cosponsors (13)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-774

Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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224. H.R.4264: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs spinal cord injury center in Tampa, Florida, as the "Michael Bilirakis Department of Veterans Affairs Spinal Cord Injury Center".

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 12/4/2007) Cosponsors (33)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/27/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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225. H.R.4273: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Alpena, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Clement C. Van Wagoner Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Stupak, Bart [MI-1] (introduced 12/4/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/4/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Note: For further action, see S.2339, which became Public Law 110-332 on 9/30/2008.

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226. H.R.4274: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of a monthly stipend to the surviving parents (known as "Gold Star parents") of members of the Armed Forces who die during a period of war.

Sponsor: Rep Walsh, James T. [NY-25] (introduced 12/4/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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227. H.R.4289: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Fortuno, Luis G. [PR] (introduced 12/5/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-292 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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228. H.R.4367: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Aiken, South Carolina, as the "Matthew V. Dillon Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Barrett, J. Gresham [SC-3] (introduced 12/11/2007) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/11/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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229. H.R.4463: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the quality of care provided to veterans in Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities, to encourage highly qualified doctors to serve in hard-to-fill positions in such medical facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Costello, Jerry F. [IL-12] (introduced 12/12/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 12/14/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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230. H.R.4539: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the housing loan benefit program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 12/13/2007)    Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/16/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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231. H.R.4781: To prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from authorizing honor guards to participate in funerals of veterans interred in national cemeteries unless the honor guards agree to offer veterans' families the option of having the honor guard perform a 13-fold flag recitation, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 12/18/2007)    Cosponsors (37)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2007 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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232. H.R.4853: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a pilot project on the use of educational assistance under programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs to defray training costs associated with the purchase of certain franchise enterprises.  
Sponsor: Rep Baker, Richard H. [LA-6] (introduced 12/19/2007)    Cosponsors (8)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 1/23/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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233. H.R.4883: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for a limitation on the sale, foreclosure, or seizure of property owned by a servicemember during the one-year period following the servicemember's period of military service.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 12/19/2007)    Cosponsors (18)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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234. H.R.4884: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the home loan guaranty programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 12/19/2007)    Cosponsors (27)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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235. H.R.4889: To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 12/19/2007)    Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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236. H.R.4915: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access to hospital care for veterans in urban areas, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Pryce, Deborah [OH-15] (introduced 12/19/2007)    Cosponsors (16)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 12/19/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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237. H.R.4918: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Miami, Florida, as the "Bruce W. Carter Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Sponsor: Rep Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [FL-18] (introduced 12/19/2007) Cosponsors (24)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-304 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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238. H.R.4931: To amend title 38, United States Code, to include participation in clean-up operations at Eniwetok Atoll as a radiation-risk activity for purposes of laws administered by Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [GU] (introduced 1/3/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/18/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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239. H.R.5034: To amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to extend the time periods of for the use of educational assistance benefits to which certain veterans and members of the reserve components are entitled under such titles.

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 1/17/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/1/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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240. H.R.5089: To reform the veterans' disability determination process by requiring the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay disability compensation to certain veterans based on the concurring diagnosis of two physicians.

Sponsor: Rep Barrow, John [GA-12] (introduced 1/22/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/25/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs

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241. H.R.5148: To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain debts owed to the United States by members of the Armed Forces and veterans who die as a result of an injury incurred or aggravated on active duty in a combat zone, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (introduced 1/28/2008) Cosponsors (59)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/1/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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242. H.R.5155: To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain debts to the United States in the case of veterans who die as a result of a service-connected disability incurred or aggravated on active duty in a combat zone, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Shea-Porter, Carol [NH-1] (introduced 1/29/2008) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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243. H.R.5229: To amend title 38, United States Code, to remove certain limitations on the transfer of entitlement to basic educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Bartlett, Roscoe G. [MD-6] (introduced 2/6/2008) Cosponsors (58)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/29/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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244. H.R.5438: To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Tafuna, American Samoa, as the "Fuga Tolani Teleso Satele Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility".

Sponsor: Rep Faleomavaega, Eni F.H. [AS] (introduced 2/14/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/14/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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245. H.R.5448: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the disability compensation evaluation procedure of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder, to improve the diagnosis and treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Allen, Thomas H. [ME-1] (introduced 2/14/2008) Cosponsors (29)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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246. H.R.5454: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis for purposes of the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Brown, Henry E., Jr. [SC-1] (introduced 2/14/2008) Cosponsors (47)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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247. H.R.5509: To amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve and enhance procedures for the retirement of members of the Armed Forces for disability and to improve and enhance authorities for the rating and compensation of service-connected disabilities in veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 2/28/2008) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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248. H.R.5526: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Task Force on Medical Facility Improvements in Puerto Rico, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Fortuno, Luis G. [PR] (introduced 3/4/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/7/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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249. H.R.5554: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and improve health care services available to veterans from the Department of Veterans Affairs for substance use disorders, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 3/6/2008) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-639

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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250. H.R.5561: To amend the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 to provide for a temporary increase in the maximum loan guaranty amount for housing loans guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.  
Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 3/10/2008) Cosponsors (17)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.  
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251. H.R.5564: To amend title 38, United States Code, to exclude an individual who has been convicted of committing certain sex offenses from receiving certain burial-related benefits and funeral honors which are otherwise available to certain veterans, members of the Armed Forces, and related individuals, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Shadegg, John B. [AZ-3] (introduced 3/10/2008) Cosponsors (24)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.  
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252. H.R.5566: To amend the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 to provide for a temporary increase in the maximum loan guaranty amount for housing loans guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.  
Sponsor: Rep Capito, Shelley Moore [WV-2] (introduced 3/10/2008) Cosponsors (3)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity  
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253. H.R.5576: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the claims processing of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 3/11/2008) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs  
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254. H.R.5595: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide dental care to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Carney, Christopher P. [PA-10] (introduced 3/12/2008) Cosponsors (73)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held  
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255. H.R.5622: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to establish standards of access to care for veterans seeking health care from certain Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 3/13/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held  
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256. H.R.5623: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish licensure requirements for employees and contractor personnel of the Department of Veterans Affairs performing orthotics services, pedorthics

services, or prosthetics services in any State in which there is a State licensure requirement for persons performing those services in private practice.

Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 3/13/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health

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257. H.R.5625: To amend the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 to provide for a temporary increase in the maximum loan guaranty amount for housing loans guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Cleaver, Emanuel [MO-5] (introduced 3/13/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/14/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity

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258. H.R.5651: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Mitchell, Harry E. [AZ-5] (introduced 3/14/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 3/21/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity

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259. H.R.5663: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the rates of basic educational assistance payable under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 3/31/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/4/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity

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260. H.R.5664: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to update at least once every six years the plans and specifications for specially adapted housing furnished to veterans by the Secretary.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 3/31/2008) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-641

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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261. H.R.5684: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the basic educational assistance program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 4/2/2008) Cosponsors (59)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 4/30/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote

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262. H.R.5709: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out quality assurance activities with respect to the administration of disability compensation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Space, Zachary T. [OH-18] (introduced 4/3/2008) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held

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263. H.R.5729: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide comprehensive health care to children of Vietnam veterans born with Spina Bifida, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Ellsworth, Brad [IN-8] (introduced 4/8/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-645

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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264. H.R.5730: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to display in each prosthetic and orthotic clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs an Injured and Amputee Veterans Bill of Rights.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 4/8/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/15/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held

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265. H.R.5736: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.

Sponsor: Rep Aderholt, Robert B. [AL-4] (introduced 4/9/2008) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 10/2/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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266. H.R.5740: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Mitchell, Harry E. [AZ-5] (introduced 4/9/2008) Cosponsors (302)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/11/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity

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267. H.R.5823: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow taxpayers to designate a portion of their income tax payment to provide assistance to homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Israel, Steve [NY-2] (introduced 4/16/2008) Cosponsors (55)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/16/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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

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268. H.R.5825: To amend titles 5, 10, 37, and 38, United States Code, to ensure the fair treatment of a member of the Armed Forces who is discharged from the Armed Forces, at the request of the member, pursuant to the Department of Defense policy permitting the early discharge of a member who is the only surviving child in a family in which the father or mother, or one or more siblings, served in the Armed Forces and, because of hazards incident to such service, was killed, died as a result of wounds, accident, or disease, is in a captured or missing in action status, or is permanently disabled, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Nunes, Devin [CA-21] (introduced 4/16/2008) Cosponsors (312)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform  
Latest Major Action: 4/25/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Note: For further action, see H.R.6580, which became Public Law 110-317 on 8/29/2008.

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269. H.R.5826: To increase, effective as of December 1, 2008, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 4/16/2008) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-643

Latest Major Action: 5/22/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Note: For further action, see S.2617, which became Public Law 110-324 on 9/24/2008.

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270. H.R.5856: To authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 4/22/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-648

Latest Major Action: 5/22/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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271. H.R.5857: To establish licensing and registration requirements for residential mortgage originators, improve mortgage disclosures, create an Office of Housing Counseling, to provide incentives to facilitate loan modifications, reform the regulation of the Government Sponsored Enterprises, modernize the Federal Housing Administration, improve home ownership for veterans, reform appraisal activities, and combat mortgage fraud, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Bachus, Spencer [AL-6] (introduced 4/22/2008) Cosponsors (60)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 5/23/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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272. H.R.5888: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand veteran eligibility for reimbursement by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for emergency treatment furnished in a non-Department facility.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 4/24/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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273. H.R.5892: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to modernize the disability benefits claims processing system of the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure the accurate and timely delivery of compensation to veterans and their families and survivors, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 4/24/2008) Cosponsors (78)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-789

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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274. H.R.5939: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the time limitation for the use of entitlement to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill for certain persons actively pursuing a qualifying educational degree or certificate.

Sponsor: Rep Carson, Andre [IN-7] (introduced 5/1/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 5/23/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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275. H.R.5944: To amend titles 10 and 38, United States Code, to improve educational assistance for members of the Armed Forces and veterans in order to enhance recruitment and retention for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Putnam, Adam H. [FL-12] (introduced 5/1/2008) Cosponsors (26)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/23/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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276. H.R.5947: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.

Sponsor: Rep King, Peter T. [NY-3] (introduced 5/1/2008) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/1/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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277. H.R.5954: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans for presumptions of service connection for purposes of benefits under laws administered by Secretary of Veterans Affairs for diseases associated with service in the Armed Forces and exposure to biological, chemical, or other toxic agents as part of Project 112, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Thompson, Mike [CA-1] (introduced 5/1/2008) Cosponsors (68)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held

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278. H.R.5985: To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the service treatable as service engaged in combat with the enemy for utilization of non-official evidence for proof of service-connection in a combat-related disease or injury.

Sponsor: Rep Braley, Bruce L. [IA-1] (introduced 5/7/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held

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279. H.R.6032: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide wartime disability compensation for certain veterans with Parkinson's Disease.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 5/13/2008) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held

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280. H.R.6048: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces deployed in support of a contingency operation.

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (introduced 5/14/2008) Cosponsors (58)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 5/21/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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281. H.R.6070: To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

Sponsor: Rep Carter, John R. [TX-31] (introduced 5/15/2008) Cosponsors (72)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote

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282. H.R.6075: To expand and improve mental health care and reintegration programs for members of the National Guard and Reserve, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Kennedy, Patrick J. [RI-1] (introduced 5/15/2008) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/15/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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

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283. H.R.6114: To amend the Veterans' Benefits and Services Act of 1988 relating to testing for infection with the human immunodeficiency virus.

Sponsor: Rep Doyle, Michael F. [PA-14] (introduced 5/21/2008) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent

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284. H.R.6122: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive policy on the management of pain experienced by veterans enrolled for health care services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 5/21/2008) Cosponsors (30)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent

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285. H.R.6153: To amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance the capacity of the Department of Veterans Affairs to recruit and retain nurses and other critical health-care professionals, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Johnson, Eddie Bernice [TX-30] (introduced 5/22/2008) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/22/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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286. H.R.6221: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include in each contract the Secretary enters for the acquisition of goods and services a provision that requires the contractee to comply with the contracting goals and preferences for small business concerns owned or controlled by veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Boozman, John [AR-3] (introduced 6/10/2008) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-785

Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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287. H.R.6224: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a five-year pilot project to test the feasibility and advisability of expanding the scope of certain qualifying work-study activities under title 38, United States Code.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 6/10/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/26/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote

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288. H.R.6225: To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 6/10/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-778

Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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289. H.R.6236: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to modernize the disability benefits claims processing system of the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure the accurate, consistent, and timely delivery of compensation to veterans and their families and survivors, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Chabot, Steve [OH-1] (introduced 6/11/2008) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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290. H.R.6268: To improve and enhance the mental health care benefits available to members of the Armed Forces and veterans, to enhance counseling and other benefits available to survivors of members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Udall, Mark [CO-2] (introduced 6/12/2008) Cosponsors (15)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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291. H.R.6272: To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 6/12/2008) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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292. H.R.6277: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a dental insurance plan for certain veterans and their survivors and dependents.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 6/17/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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293. H.R.6287: To amend title 38, United States Code, to change the method of determining the mileage reimbursement rate under the beneficiary travel program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Souder, Mark E. [IN-3] (introduced 6/17/2008) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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294. H.R.6366: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish not more than seven consolidated patient accounting centers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 6/25/2008) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent

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295. H.R.6397: To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the basic educational assistance program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 6/26/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; House Education and Labor; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Energy and Commerce; House Science and Technology; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 7/25/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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296. H.R.6414: To establish a pilot program on the provision of legal services to assist veterans and members of the Armed Forces who receive health care, benefits and services, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr. [NJ-6] (introduced 6/26/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 7/16/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel

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297. H.R.6430: To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to the health professional scholarship program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 7/8/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/8/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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298. H.R.6431: To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress reports in electronic form.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 7/8/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/8/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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299. H.R.6439: To amend title 38, United States Code to expand the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide counseling for family members of veterans receiving non-service-connected treatment.

Sponsor: Rep Hare, Phil [IL-17] (introduced 7/8/2008) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent

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300. H.R.6445: To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Cazayoux, Donald J., Jr. [LA-6] (introduced 7/9/2008) Cosponsors (9)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
House Reports: 110-786  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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301. H.R.6465: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the demonstration project on adjustable rate mortgages and the demonstration project on hybrid adjustable rate mortgages.  
Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 7/10/2008) Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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302. H.R.6471: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the availability of health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by adjusting the income level for certain priority veterans.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 7/10/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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303. H.R.6494: To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [NY-20] (introduced 7/15/2008) Cosponsors (6)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 8/4/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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304. H.R.6511: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs hospital under construction in Aurora, Colorado, as the "Petty Officer 2nd Class Danny Dietz Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital".  
Sponsor: Rep Tancredo, Thomas G. [CO-6] (introduced 7/16/2008) Cosponsors (6)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/16/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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305. H.R.6516: To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in nonforeign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Abercrombie, Neil [HI-1] (introduced 7/16/2008) Cosponsors (3)  
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Post Office, and the District of Columbia.

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306. H.R.6543: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the demonstration project on adjustable rate mortgages and the demonstration project on hybrid adjustable rate mortgages.  
Sponsor: Rep Brown-Waite, Ginny [FL-5] (introduced 7/17/2008) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/17/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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307. H.R.6562: To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 7/22/2008) Cosponsors (28)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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308. H.R.6580: To ensure the fair treatment of a member of the Armed Forces who is discharged from the Armed Forces, at the request of the member, pursuant to the Department of Defense policy permitting the early discharge of a member who is the only surviving child in a family in which the father or mother, or one or more siblings, served in the Armed Forces and, because of hazards incident to such service, was killed, died as a result of wounds, accident, or disease, is in a captured or missing in action status, or is permanently disabled, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the dollar limitation on contributions to funeral trusts, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Kind, Ron [WI-3] (introduced 7/23/2008) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs; House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 110-317 [GPO: Text, PDF]

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309. H.R.6625: To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs to be designated as voter registration agencies, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Brady, Robert A. [PA-1] (introduced 7/29/2008) Cosponsors (55)

Committees: House Administration; House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Rules and Administration

House Reports: 110-851 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 10/2/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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310. H.R.6629: To amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that veterans in each of the 48 contiguous States are able to receive services in at least one full-service hospital of the Veterans Health Administration in the State or receive comparable services provided by contract in the State.

Sponsor: Rep Shea-Porter, Carol [NH-1] (introduced 7/29/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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311. H.R.6695: To amend title 38, United States Code, to conform the mileage reimbursement rates used under the beneficiary travel program administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the mileage reimbursement rates for Government employees on official business who use privately owned vehicles, to eliminate all deductibles under the beneficiary travel program, to ensure that all veterans can participate in the beneficiary travel program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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312. H.R.6699: To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reform Medicare payments to physicians and certain other providers and improve Medicare benefits, to encourage the offering of health coverage by small businesses, to provide tax incentives for the purchase of health insurance by individuals, to increase access to health care for veterans, to address the nursing shortage, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Latham, Tom [IA-4] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services  
Latest Major Action: 9/4/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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313. H.R.6711: To provide for increased funding for veterans health care for fiscal year 2009 by transferring amounts from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.

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314. H.R.6712: To provide for increased funding for veterans health care for fiscal year 2009 by transferring funds from the Legal Services Corporation and certain title X family planning funds, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Judiciary; House Energy and Commerce  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Energy and Commerce, 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.

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315. H.R.6731: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain home loan guaranty demonstration programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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316. H.R.6732: To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of "combat with the enemy" for purposes of service-connection of disabilities.  
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (11)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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317. H.R.6764: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress quarterly reports on vacancies in mental health professional positions in Department of Veterans Affairs medical facilities.  
Sponsor: Rep Tsongas, Niki [MA-5] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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318. H.R.6765: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide outreach and training to certain college and university mental health centers relating to the mental health of veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Tsongas, Niki [MA-5] (introduced 7/31/2008) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 7/31/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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319. H.R.6792: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physical Therapy Service within the Veterans Health Administration and to establish a fellowship program for physical therapists in the areas of geriatrics, amputee rehabilitation, polytrauma care, and rehabilitation research.  
Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 8/1/2008) Cosponsors (8)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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320. H.R.6798: To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection for certain cancers occurring in veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam and were exposed to certain herbicide agents, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Kagen, Steve [WI-8] (introduced 8/1/2008) Cosponsors (10)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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321. H.R.6802: To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend or make permanent certain authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs expiring in 2008, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 8/1/2008) Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 8/1/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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322. H.R.6832: To authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2009, to extend certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 9/8/2008) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/12/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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323. H.R.6850: To allow veterans to elect to use, with the approval of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, certain financial educational assistance to establish and operate certain business, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Fortenberry, Jeff [NE-1] (introduced 9/9/2008) Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/9/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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324. H.R.6897: To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain payments to eligible persons who served in the Philippines during World War II.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 9/15/2008) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2008 Received in the Senate.

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325. H.R.6937: To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Buyer, Steve [IN-4] (introduced 9/18/2008) Cosponsors (12)

Committees: House Science and Technology; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/18/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Science and Technology, 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.

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326. H.R.6939: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide two-fiscal year budget authority for certain medical care accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 9/18/2008) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/18/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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327. H.R.6945: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access to hospital care for veterans in major disaster areas, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Scalise, Steve [LA-1] (introduced 9/18/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/18/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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328. H.R.6980: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase the amount of the Medal of Honor special pension provided under that title by up to \$1,000.

Sponsor: Rep Brown, Henry E., Jr. [SC-1] (introduced 9/22/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/25/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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329. H.R.6989: To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the burial in a national cemetery of a parent of a deceased veteran when there is no eligible spouse or dependent of the veteran.

Sponsor: Rep Israel, Steve [NY-2] (introduced 9/22/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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330. H.R.6996: To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 9/23/2008) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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331. H.R.6998: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide education and training to emergency response providers and community leaders relating to the mental health of veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Mahoney, Tim [FL-16] (introduced 9/23/2008)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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332. H.R.7003: To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit discrimination and acts of reprisal against persons who receive treatment for illnesses, injuries, and disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service in the uniformed services.  
Sponsor: Rep Doggett, Lloyd [TX-25] (introduced 9/23/2008)    Cosponsors (11)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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333. H.R.7046: To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct a new community-based outpatient clinic at Ord Military Community, California.  
Sponsor: Rep Farr, Sam [CA-17] (introduced 9/24/2008)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/24/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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334. H.R.7108: To name the front circle drive in front of the Oscar G. Johnson Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility in Iron Mountain, Michigan, as "Sergeant First Class James D. Priestap Drive".  
Sponsor: Rep Stupak, Bart [MI-1] (introduced 9/25/2008)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/25/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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335. H.R.7167: To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the availability of health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs by adjusting the income level for certain priority veterans.  
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 9/26/2008)    Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 9/26/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.  
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336. H.R.7178: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the enforcement of the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, and for other purposes.  
Sponsor: Rep Davis, Artur [AL-7] (introduced 9/27/2008)    Cosponsors (2)  
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Judiciary  
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.  
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337. H.R.7214: To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to use the Health Professionals Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs to increase the number of licensed mental health professionals in the Department of Veterans Affairs available to assist veterans suffering from the effects of combat stress, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Waters, Maxine [CA-35] (introduced 9/28/2008) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/28/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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