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RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

RULE NO. 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) **APPLICABILITY OF HOUSE RULES** - The Rules of the House are the rules of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and its subcommittees so far as applicable, except that a motion to recess from day to day, and a motion to dispense with the first reading (in full) of a bill or resolution, if printed copies are available, are non-debatable privileged motions in Committees and subcommittees.

(b) **SUBCOMMITTEES** - Each subcommittee of the Committee is a part of the Committee and is subject to the authority and direction of the Committee and to its rules so far as applicable.

(c) **INCORPORATION OF HOUSE RULE ON COMMITTEE PROCEDURE** - Rule XI of the Rules of the House, which pertains entirely to Committee procedure, is incorporated and made part of the rules of the Committee to the extent applicable. Pursuant to clause 2(a)(3) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House, the Chairman of the full Committee is directed to offer a motion under clause 1 of Rule XXII of the Rules of the House whenever the Chairman considers it appropriate.

(d) **VICE CHAIRMAN** - Pursuant to clause 2(d) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House, the Chairman of the full Committee shall designate the Vice Chairman of the Committee and a Vice Chairman of each subcommittee established under Rule 5(a)(1).

RULE NO. 2—REGULAR AND ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

(a) **REGULAR MEETINGS** - The regular meeting day for the Committee shall be at 10 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in such place as the Chairman may designate. However, the Chairman may dispense with a regular Wednesday meeting of the Committee.

(b) **ADDITIONAL MEETINGS** - The Chairman of the Committee may call and convene, as he considers necessary, additional meetings of the Committee for the consideration of any bill or resolution pending before the Committee or for the conduct of other Committee business. The Committee shall meet for such purpose pursuant to the call of the Chairman.

(c) **NOTICE** - The Chairman shall notify each member of the Committee of the agenda of each regular and additional meeting of the Committee at least 24 hours before the time of the meeting, except under circumstances the Chairman determines to be of an emergency nature. Under such circumstances, the Chairman shall make an effort to consult the ranking minority member, or in such member's absence, the next ranking minority party member of the Committee.

RULE NO. 3—MEETINGS AND HEARINGS GENERALLY

(a) **OPEN MEETINGS AND HEARINGS** - Meetings and hearings of the Committee and each of its subcommittees shall be open to the public unless closed in accordance with clause 2(g) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House.

(b) **ANNOUNCEMENT OF HEARING** - The Chairman, in the case of a hearing to be conducted by the Committee, and the subcommittee Chairman, in the case of a hearing to be conducted by a subcommittee, shall make public announcement of the date, place, and subject matter of any hearing to be conducted on any measure or matter at least one week before the commencement of that hearing unless the Committee or the subcommittee determines that there is good cause to begin the hearing at an earlier date. In the latter event, the Chairman or the subcommittee Chairman, as the case may be, shall consult with the ranking minority member and make such public announcement at the earliest possible date. The clerk of the Committee shall promptly notify the Daily Clerk of the Congressional Record and the Committee scheduling service of the House Information Resources as soon as possible after such public announcement is made.

(c) **WIRELESS TELEPHONE USE PROHIBITED** - No person may use a wireless telephone during a Committee or subcommittee meeting or hearing.

(d) **MEDIA COVERAGE** - Any meeting of the Committee or its subcommittees that is open to the public shall be open to coverage by radio, television, and still photography in accordance with the provisions of clause 4 of Rule XI of the Rules of the House.

(e) **REQUIREMENTS FOR TESTIMONY** -

(1) Each witness who is to appear before the Committee or a subcommittee shall file with the clerk of the Committee, at least 48 hours in advance of his or her appearance, a written statement of his or her proposed testi-

mony. Each witness shall, to the greatest extent practicable, also provide such written testimony in an electronic format prescribed by the Chairman. Each witness shall limit any oral presentation to a summary of the written statement.

(2) Pursuant to clause 4 of Rule XI of the Rules of the House, in the case of a witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity a written statement of proposed testimony shall include a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of the amount and source (by agency and program) of any Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or sub-contract thereof) received during the current fiscal year or either of the two preceding fiscal years by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness.

(f) CALLING AND QUESTIONING WITNESSES -

(1) Committee and subcommittee members may question witnesses only when they have been recognized by the Chairman of the Committee or subcommittee for that purpose, and only for a 5-minute period until all members present have had an opportunity to question a witness. The 5-minute period for questioning a witness by any one member may be extended only with the unanimous consent of all members present. The questioning of witnesses in both Committee and subcommittee hearings shall be initiated by the Chairman, followed by the ranking minority party member and all other members alternating between the majority and minority. Except as otherwise announced by the Chairman at the beginning of a hearing, members who are present at the start of the hearing will be recognized before other members who arrive after the hearing has begun. In recognizing members to question witnesses in this fashion, the Chairman shall take into consideration the ratio of the majority to minority members present and shall establish the order of recognition for questioning in such a manner as not to disadvantage the members of the majority.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) regarding the 5-minute rule, the Chairman after consultation with the ranking minority member may designate an equal number of members of the Committee or subcommittee majority and minority party to question a witness for a period not longer than 30 minutes. In no event shall the Chairman allow a member to question a witness for an extended period under this rule until all members present have had the opportunity to ask questions under the 5-minute rule. The Chairman after consultation with the ranking minority member may permit Committee staff for its majority and minority party members to question a witness for equal specified periods of time.

(3) When a hearing is conducted by the Committee or a subcommittee on any measure or matter, the minority party members on the Committee shall be entitled, upon request to the Chairman of a majority of those minority members before the completion of the hearing, to call witnesses selected by the minority to testify with respect to that measure or matter during at least one day of the hearing thereon.

(g) SUBPOENAS - Pursuant to clause 2(m) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House, a subpoena may be authorized and issued by the Committee or a subcommittee in the conduct of any investigation or series of investigations or activities, only when authorized by a majority of the members voting, a majority being present.

RULE No. 4—QUORUM AND RECORD VOTES; POSTPONEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

(a) WORKING QUORUM - A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for business and a majority of the members of any subcommittee shall constitute a quorum thereof for business, except that two members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony and receiving evidence.

(b) QUORUM FOR REPORTING - No measure or recommendation shall be reported to the House of Representatives unless a majority of the Committee was actually present.

(c) RECORD VOTES - A record vote may be demanded by one-fifth of the members present or, in the apparent absence of a quorum, by any one member. With respect to any record vote on any motion to amend or report, the total number of votes cast for and against, and the names of those members voting for and against, shall be included in the report of the Committee on the bill or resolution.

(d) PROHIBITION AGAINST PROXY VOTING - No vote by any member of the Committee or a subcommittee with respect to any measure or matter may be cast by proxy.

(e) POSTPONING PROCEEDINGS - Committee and subcommittee chairmen may postpone further proceedings when a record vote is ordered on the question of approving a measure or matter or on adopting an amendment, and may resume proceedings within two legislative days on a postponed question after reasonable notice. When proceedings resume on a postponed question, notwithstanding any intervening order for the previous questions, an underlying proposition shall remain subject to further debate or amendment to the same extent as when the question was postponed.

RULE NO. 5—SUBCOMMITTEES

(A) ESTABLISHMENT AND JURISDICTION -

(1) There shall be four subcommittees of the Committee as follows:

(A) **Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs**, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over compensation; general and special pensions of all the wars of the United States; life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the Armed Forces; cemeteries of the United States in which veterans of any war or conflict are or may be buried, whether in the United States or abroad, except cemeteries administered by the Secretary of the Interior; burial benefits; the Board of Veterans' Appeals; and the Court of Appeals for Veterans' Claims.

(B) **Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity**, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over education of veterans, employment and training of veterans, vocational rehabilitation, veterans' housing programs, readjustment of servicemembers to civilian life, and servicemembers civil relief.

(C) **Subcommittee on Health**, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over veterans' hospitals, medical care, and treatment of veterans.

(D) **Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations**, which shall have oversight and investigative jurisdiction over veterans' matters generally, and over such matters as may be referred to the subcommittee by the Chairman of the full Committee for its oversight or investigation and for its appropriate recommendations. The subcommittee shall only have legislative jurisdiction over such bills or resolutions as may be referred to it by the Chairman of the full Committee.

(2) Each subcommittee shall have responsibility for such other measures or matters as the Chairman refers to it.

(b) **VACANCIES** - Any vacancy in the membership of a subcommittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members to execute the functions of that subcommittee.

(c) **RATIOS** - On each subcommittee, there shall be a ratio of majority party members to minority party members which shall be consistent with the ratio on the full Committee.

(d) **REFERRAL TO SUBCOMMITTEES** - The Chairman of the Committee may refer a measure or matter, which is within the general responsibility of more than one of the subcommittees of the Committee, as the Chairman deems appropriate. In referring any measure or matter to a subcommittee, the Chairman of the Committee may specify a date by which the subcommittee shall report thereon to the Committee.

(e) POWERS AND DUTIES -

(1) Each subcommittee is authorized to meet, hold hearings, receive evidence, and report to the full Committee on all matters referred to it or under its jurisdiction. Subcommittee chairmen shall set dates for hearings and meetings of their respective subcommittees after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and other subcommittee chairmen with a view toward avoiding simultaneous scheduling of Committee and subcommittee meetings or hearings whenever possible.

(2) Whenever a subcommittee has ordered a bill, resolution, or other matter to be reported to the Committee, the Chairman of the subcommittee reporting the bill, resolution, or matter to the full Committee, or any member authorized by the subcommittee to do so shall notify the Chairman and the ranking minority party member of the Committee of the Subcommittee's action.

(3) A member of the Committee who is not a member of a particular subcommittee may sit with the subcommittee during any of its meetings and hearings, but shall not have authority to vote, cannot be counted for a quorum, and cannot raise a point of order at the meeting or hearing.

(4) Each subcommittee shall provide the Committee with copies of such record votes taken in subcommittee and such other records with respect to the subcommittee as the Chairman of the Committee deems necessary for the Committee to comply with all rules and regulations of the House.

RULE NO. 6—GENERAL OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY

(a) **PURPOSE** - Pursuant to clause 2 of Rule X of the Rules of the House, the Committee shall carry out oversight responsibilities. In order to assist the House in-

(1) Its analysis, appraisal, evaluation of-

(A) The application, administration, execution, and effectiveness of the laws enacted by the Congress,

or

(B) Conditions and circumstances which may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation, and

(2) Its formulation, consideration and enactment of such modifications or changes in those laws, and of such additional legislation, as may be necessary or appropriate, the Committee and its various subcommittees, consistent with their jurisdiction as set forth in Rule 5, shall have oversight responsibilities as provided in subsection (b).

(b) REVIEW OF LAWS AND PROGRAMS - The Committee and its subcommittees shall review and study, on a continuing basis, the applications, administration, execution, and effectiveness of those laws, or parts of laws, the subject matter of which is within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee, and the organization and operation of the Federal agencies and entities having responsibilities in or for the administration and execution thereof, in order to determine whether such laws and the programs thereunder are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of the Congress and whether such programs should be continued, curtailed, or eliminated. In addition, the Committee and its subcommittees shall review and study any conditions or circumstances which may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee (whether or not any bill or resolution has been introduced with respect thereto), and shall on a continuing basis undertake future research and forecasting on matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee.

(c) OVERSIGHT PLAN - Not later than February 15 of the first session of a Congress, the Committee shall meet in open session, with a quorum present, to adopt its oversight plans for that Congress for submission to the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, in accordance with the provisions of clause 2(d) of Rule X of the Rules of the House.

(d) OVERSIGHT BY SUBCOMMITTEES - The existence and activities of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations shall in no way limit the responsibility of the other subcommittees of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for carrying out oversight duties.

RULE No. 7—BUDGET ACT RESPONSIBILITIES

(a) BUDGET ACT RESPONSIBILITIES - Pursuant to clause 4(f)(1) of Rule X of the Rules of the House, the Committee shall submit to the Committee on the Budget not later than six weeks after the President submits his budget, or at such time as the Committee on the Budget may request-

(1) Its views and estimates with respect to all matters to be set forth in the concurrent resolution on the budget for the ensuing fiscal year that are within its jurisdiction or functions; and

(2) An estimate of the total amounts of new budget authority, and budget outlays resulting therefrom, to be provided or authorized in all bills and resolutions within its jurisdiction that it intends to be effective during that fiscal year.

RULE No. 8—RECORDS AND OTHER MATTERS

(a) TRANSCRIPTS - There shall be a transcript made of each regular and additional meeting and hearing of the Committee and its subcommittees. Any such transcript shall be a substantially verbatim account of remarks actually made during the proceedings, subject only to technical, grammatical, and typographical corrections authorized by the person making the remarks involved.

(b) RECORDS -

(1) The Committee shall keep a record of all actions of the Committee and each of its subcommittees. The record shall contain all information required by clause 2(e)(1) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House and shall be available for public inspection at reasonable times in the offices of the Committee.

(2) There shall be kept in writing a record of the proceedings of the Committee and each of its subcommittees, including a record of the votes on any question on which a recorded vote is demanded. The result of each such record vote shall be made available by the Committee for inspection by the public at reasonable times in the offices of the Committee. Information so available for public inspection shall include a description of the amendment, motion, order, or proposition, and the names of those members present but not voting.

(c) AVAILABILITY OF ARCHIVED RECORDS - The records of the Committee at the National Archives and Records Administration shall be made available for public use in accordance with Rule VII of the Rules of the House. The Chairman shall notify the ranking minority member of any decision, pursuant to clause 3 or clause 4 of Rule VII of the Rules of the House, to withhold a record otherwise available, and the matter shall be presented to the Committee for a determination on written request of any member of the Committee.

(d) AVAILABILITY OF PUBLICATIONS - Pursuant to clause 2(e)(4) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House, the Committee shall make its publications available in electronic form to the maximum extent feasible.

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STEVE SCALISE, LOUISIANA

MALCOM A. SHORTER
Staff Director

¹ January 4, 2007—Chairman Bob Filner and Ranking Minority Member Steve Buyer were appointed to the Committee.

² January 10, 2007—Reps. Cliff Stearns, Dan Burton of Indiana, Jerry Moran of Kansas, Richard H. Baker, Henry E. Brown, Jr. of South Carolina, Jeff Miller of Florida, John Boozman, Ginny Brown-Waite of Florida, Michael R. Turner, Brian P. Bilbray, Doug Lamborn, and Gus M. Bilirakis were appointed to the Committee.

³ January 12, 2007—Reps. Corrine Brown of Florida, Vic Snyder, Michael H. Michaud, Stephanie Herseth, Harry E. Mitchell of Arizona, John J. Hall of New York, Phil Hare, Michael F. Doyle, John T. Salazar, Ciro D. Rodriguez, Joe Donnelly, Jerry McNerney and Zachary T. Space were appointed to the Committee.

⁴ January 18, 2007—Rep. Shelley Berkley (to rank immediately after Michael F. Doyle) and Timothy J. Walz were appointed to the Committee.

⁵ March 12, 2007—Rep. Dan Burton of Indiana was removed from the Committee.

⁶ March 12, 2007—Rep. Vern Buchanan was appointed to the Committee.

⁷ April 1, 2007—Rep. Stephanie Herseth changed her name to Stephanie Herseth Sandlin.

⁸ February 2, 2008—Rep. Richard H. Baker resigned from the Committee and from the U.S. House of Representatives.

⁹ May 14, 2008—Rep. Steve Scalise was appointed to the Committee.

¹⁰ June 10, 2008—Rep. Michael F. Doyle resigned from the Committee.

¹¹ June 10, 2008—Rep. Donald J. Cazayoux, Jr. was appointed to the Committee.

SUBCOMMITTEES

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE AND MEMORIAL AFFAIRS

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CIRO D. RODRIGUEZ

GINNY BROWN-WAITE, RANKING
CLIFF STEARNS
BRIAN BILBRAY

¹ February 2, 2008—Rep. Richard H. Baker resigned from the Subcommittees on Economic Opportunity and Health.

² June 10, 2008—Rep. Michael F. Doyle resigned from the Subcommittee on Health.

³ June 11, 2008—Rep. Vern Buchanan was appointed to the Subcommittee on Health and Rep. Steve Scalise was appointed to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

⁴ July 9, 2008—Rep. Donald J. Cazayoux, Jr. was appointed to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 23

Jan. 4, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. WEXLER, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. MICHAUD, MR. WAMP, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. SHIMKUS, AND MS. ESHOO; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE, MR. ACKERMAN, MR. PAUL, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. ROSKAM, MR. ROHRABACHER, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MS. KAPTUR, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. LATOURETTE, MR. MITCHELL, MR. ARCURI, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BONNER, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. TERRY, AND MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. COHEN, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. MURTHA, MR. HONDA, MS. BERKLEY, MR. PORTER, MR. DUNCAN, MR. KANJORSKI, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. DOYLE, AND MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED MAR. 6, 2007), MR. REYES; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MS. SHEA-PORTER, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. GORDON, MR. TIERNEY, MR. LAHOOD, MR. CARDOZA, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MR. BOSWELL, AND MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. WELLER; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. SHULER, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. MCNERNEY, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. SPACE, MS. HARMAN, MR. SHAYS, MR. PASCRELL, MRS. BLACKBURN, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. OLVER, MR. STARK, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MS. LEE, MR. MICA, MS. DEGETTE, MR. BOREN, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MS. VELAZQUEZ, MS. WATSON, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MS. MATSUI, MR. NADLER, AND MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MS. CARSON, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. OBERSTAR, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. COSTELLO, MR. WAXMAN, MR. SALAZAR, MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON, MR. MCCOTTER, MS. SUTTON, MR. MARCHANT, AND MS. DELAURO; (ADDED APR. 20, 2007), MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. EHLERS, MR. RANGEL, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR.

WOLF, MR. LANTOS, MR. DOOLITTLE, AND MR. CALVERT; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. HODES, AND MR. KING OF IOWA; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. DENT, MS. HOOLEY, MR. HIGGINS, MR. PICKERING, MR. HINCHEY, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. FATTAH, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MR. WU, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, AND MR. PAYNE; (ADDED MAY 7, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. FERGUSON, MR. POE, MR. GILLMOR, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, AND MR. PETRI; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. DEFazio, MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. MCINTYRE, MR. ALLEN, MRS. CAPPS, MR. MARKEY, MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. COOPER; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. BARROW, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. HAYES, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. RAHALL, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MR. HOLT, MR. SOUDER, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. LANGEVIN, AND MR. GERLACH; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. RADANOVICH, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. SCHIFF, MR. BAIRD, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. MEEHAN, MR. KILDEE, MR. RAMSTAD, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. PLATTS, MR. LYNCH, MR. SHERMAN, MR. CLEAVER, AND MS. NORTON; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. COSTA, MR. BACA, MR. VISCLOSKEY, MR. PASTOR, MR. SESTAK, MR. FORTUNO, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. CONYERS, MR. JEFFERSON, AND MR. FARR; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. ORTIZ, MR. ISSA, AND MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MRS. CAPITO, MR. CUELLAR, MR. KAGEN, MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK, AND MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. GOHMERT, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. TOM DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MRS. BONO MACK, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, AND MR. BAKER; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. FORBES, MR. ROSS, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. BERMAN, MR. TOWNS, MR. WATT, MR. LIPINSKI, MR. HOLDEN, AND MR. KIND; (ADDED JULY 12, 2007), MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. SULLIVAN, AND MR. LOEBSACK; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. GARRETT

HOUSE BILLS

OF NEW JERSEY, MR. TIBERI, AND MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JULY 17, 2007), MR. TANCREDO, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. McHUGH, MRS. EMERSON, AND MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. LUCAS, MR. LEVIN, MR. SERRANO, AND MR. WALDEN OF OREGON; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MR. STUPAK, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. ISRAEL, MR. EMANUEL, MR. KINGSTON, MR. MCGOVERN, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. RUSH, MR. KUCINICH, MR. ALEXANDER, AND MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED JULY 26, 2007), MR. UPTON, MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS, MR. LATHAM, AND MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED JULY 27, 2007), MR. MELANCON, AND MRS. LOWEY

To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

*Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners
of World War II Act of 2007*

- Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- Mar. 3, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Mar. 28, 2007—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs discharged.
- Apr. 18, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Full Committee.
- Jul. 17, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- Jul. 27, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 110-269, Part I.
- Jul. 27, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 171.
- Jul. 30, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Jul. 30, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill, as ordered reported. The Department opposes the legislation.

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Jan. 4, 2007

MR. MCINTYRE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 7, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. HARE, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. FATTAH, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MR. COHEN, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. DELAHUNT, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ETHERIDGE; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. DOYLE, MR. ELLISON, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. SUTTON, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. DEFazio, AND MR. COBLE; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. MATHESON; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. ENGEL, AND MR. MCDERMOTT; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. SPACE, MR. PEARCE, AND MR. BLUMENAUER

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

Veterans Outreach Improvement Act of 2007

- Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Apr. 17, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- May 8, 2007—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
- May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 421-0 (Roll No. 410).
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions are included in S. 3023, as amended.

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Jan. 4, 2007

MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 23, 2007), MR. HAYES; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF UTAH; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MS. FOXX; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. SALI; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. SOUDER

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.

Bartlett Montgomery GI Bill Act

Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 92

Jan. 4, 2007

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JAN. 9, 2007), MR. GOODE, AND MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JAN. 10, 2007), MR. TERRY, AND MR. PORTER; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2007), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. CARTER; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. MARSHALL

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.

Veterans Timely Access to Health Care Act

Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department has concerns about the legislation.

H.R. 112

Jan. 4, 2007

MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA

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

G.I. Advanced Education in Science and Technology Act

Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 156

Jan. 4, 2007

MR. HOLDEN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MR. POE, MS. KAPTUR, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, AND MRS. JONES OF OHIO; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. ALTMIRE, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, AND MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. FATTAH, AND MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2007), MR. EMANUEL, MS. NORTON, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. BOSWELL, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, AND MR. MURTHA; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MS. HOOLEY; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. RAHALL, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MS. CARSON, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. GERLACH; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. HARE, AND MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 19, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jul. 7, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department supports the legislation.

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H.R. 295

Jan. 5, 2007

MR. LAMBORN (FOR HIMSELF), MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. TANCREDO, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, AND MR. PERLMUTTER; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MS. DEGETTE, MR. SALAZAR, AND MR. PORTER

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

Jan. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 303

Jan. 5, 2007

MR. BILIRAKIS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 11, 2007), MR. DEFazio, AND MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY, AND MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED JAN. 19, 2007), MR. WAXMAN, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, AND MR. BOREN; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2007), MR. COSTELLO, MR. TERRY, MR. FILNER, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2007), MR. WEXLER, MR. MCINTYRE, AND MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. DELAHUNT, AND MR. LOBIONDO; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MRS. DRAKE, MR. FORBES, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. PLATTS, MR. GORDON, MR. NORWOOD, MR. CLAY, MR. HOLDEN, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. BOUCHER, MR. KUCINICH, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2007), MR. ALLEN, MS. BERKLEY, MR. SPACE, AND MR. OBERSTAR; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2007), MR. KANJORSKI, MR. SHERMAN, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. KILDEE, AND MR. LAHOOD; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. WAMP, MR. TIERNEY, MRS. CAPPS, MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. PALLONE, AND MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, AND MS. SCHWARTZ; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2007), MS. GIFFORDS, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. GOODE, MRS. CAPITO, MR. FOSSELLA, AND MR. REYES; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. MARCHANT, MS. DEGETTE, MR. CARTER, MR. MOLLOHAN, AND MR. MANZULLO; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2007), MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. KIRK, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. TIBERI, MR. DOYLE, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. KAGEN, AND MR. MOORE OF KANSAS; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MR. BOSWELL, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED MAR. 8, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. SAXTON, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. WU; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. LANGEVIN, MR. BERMAN, AND MR. KING OF IOWA; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. CONYERS, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, AND MR. CALVERT; (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MR. BACHUS, MR. KIND, MR. PAUL, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAR. 23, 2007), MS. FOXX, AND MR. PORTER; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. WOLF, MS. HARMAN, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. COURTNEY, MRS. EMERSON, AND MR. OLVER; (ADDED MAR. 28, 2007), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MR. PETRI; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MR. RAHALL, MR. PASCRELL, MRS. CUBIN, AND MR. ROSS; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. EDWARDS; (ADDED APR. 20,

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2007), MR. FARR; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. JINDAL, AND MR. PICKERING; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. CHANDLER; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. HALL OF TEXAS, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. TIAHRT; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. LATOURETTE, AND MR. GERLACH; (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. ADERHOLT; (ADDED JUNE 14, 2007), MR. INSLEE; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MS. DELAURO, AND MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. EVERETT; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, AND MR. HAYES; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. SHAYS; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. KELLER; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. BERRY, AND MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA; (ADDED JULY 27, 2007), MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY; (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. RUSH, MR. SESSIONS, AND MR. GRAVES; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2007), MRS. BLACKBURN, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, AND MR. MICA; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. ORTIZ; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. WALDEN OF OREGON; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. FEENEY; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. ALEXANDER; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MR. COHEN; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MS. SLAUGHTER; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. ELLISON; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. ETHERIDGE, AND MR. GOODLATTE; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MR. GALLEGLY; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MS. TSONGAS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. SALI, AND MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. CANTOR; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. MACK; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. HARE; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MS. HIRONO; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2008), MS. ROS-LEHTINEN; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. GOHMERT; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MS. GRANGER, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, AND MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. MCHUGH; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. CRENSHAW, AND MRS. BIGGERT; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. STEARNS, MR. FORTENBERRY, MR. MCDERMOTT, AND MR. ARCURI; (ADDED JULY

23, 2008), MR. KINGSTON, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. HIGGINS, AND MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. ISRAEL; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MRS. BONO MACK; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MR. ANDREWS

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.

Retired Pay Restoration Act

Jan. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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Jan. 5, 2007

MR. PEARCE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALEXANDER, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. SIMPSON, MRS. CAPITO, MR. HOEKSTRA, AND MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED JAN. 9, 2007), MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, AND MS. FOX; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. LATHAM, AND MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA, MR. MARSHALL, AND MR. PORTER; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. HELLER; (ADDED APR. 20, 2007), MR. RAHALL; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. HERGER; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. HENSARLING; (ADDED AUG. 4, 2007), MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED NOV. 5, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA

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.

Help Establish Access to Local Timely Healthcare for Your Vets (HEALTHY Vets) Act of 2007

Jan. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

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MR. BOSWELL (FOR HIMSELF), MR. KIND, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. LIPINSKI, MR. HINCHEY, MR. ENGEL, MR. ROSS, MR. WEINER, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. SCHIFF, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MRS. CAPPS, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MRS. LOWEY, MR. LANTOS, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, MR. ORTIZ, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. RAHALL, MR. SPRATT, MR. BOUCHER, MR. HONDA, MS. MATSUI, MR. MCINTYRE, MS. WATERS, MR. CRAMER, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. WEXLER, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. CROWLEY, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. OLVER, MR. COSTELLO, MR. POMEROY, MR. SALAZAR, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. LATHAM, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. LANGEVIN, MR. PASCRELL, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. STARK, MR. EDWARDS, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. KING OF IOWA, MR. BERMAN, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. MARSHALL, MR. FILNER, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. KENNEDY, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. BAIRD, MR. WATT, MR. SHERMAN, MR. TAYLOR, MR. CHANDLER, MR. BERRY, MR. HOLDEN, MR. DONNELLY, MR. HILL, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. CARDOZA, MR. MELANCON, MS. HARMAN, MS. BEAN, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. BACA, MR. COSTA, MR. MATHESON, MR. BARROW, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. SHULER, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. HAYES, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED JAN. 12, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. RENZI, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. GRIALVA, MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. WAXMAN, MR. TIERNEY, MR. CAPUANO, MS. BERKLEY, MR. ALLEN, MR. HARE, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. KUCINICH; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. ISRAEL, MR. KAGEN, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MS. CASTOR; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MR. CUELLAR, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. LEVIN, MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. MANZULLO, AND MR. GORDON; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2007), MR. MARKEY, MR. KILDEE, MS. DELAURO, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2007), MR. RAMSTAD, MR. COHEN, MR. ELLISON, MR. ACKERMAN, AND MR. VISCLOSKEY; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2007), MS. BORDALLO, MR. STUPAK, MS. DEGETTE, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MR. CONYERS, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MRS. CAPITO, MRS.

McMORRIS RODGERS, MR. WU, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. SPACE, MR. MITCHELL, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. LAMBORN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. SOUDER

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

Joshua Omvig Veterans Suicide Prevention Act

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Mar. 13, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
 Mar. 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by unanimous voice vote.
 Mar. 20, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-55.
 Mar. 20, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 26.
 Mar. 21, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 423-0 (Roll No. 174).
 Sep. 27, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
 Sep. 27, 2007—Measure laid before Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
 Oct. 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 417-0 (Roll No. 987).
 Nov. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-110.

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Jan. 9, 2007

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA

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.

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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MR. MARSHALL (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MR. GOODE, MR. CUELLAR, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MS. HOOLEY, MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, AND MR. GORDON; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MR. EDWARDS, AND MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. LAHOOD, MS. BALDWIN, AND MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2007), MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. ALLEN; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MS. BERKLEY, MR. YARMUTH, MR. JINDAL, MR. SHULER, MR. ALTMIRE, MR. CARNEY, MR. RAHALL, AND MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MR. PAUL, MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, MR. SOUDER, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, AND MR. BOREN; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MR. FILNER, MR. BARROW, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. MICHAUD, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, AND MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY; (ADDED MAY 2, 2007), MR. DEFazio, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MS. CARSON, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. HONDA; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. PEARCE; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. GERLACH, AND MR. REYES; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. CRAMER, AND MR. WEXLER; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, AND MR. WESTMORELAND; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. SIRES; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MR. WYNN, AND MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. GUTIERREZ; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, AND MR. INSLEE; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. FARR, AND MR. MICA; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. HOLT, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. VAN HOLLEN, AND MR. TERRY; (ADDED APR. 16, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. PERLMUTTER; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. GOHMERT, MS. MATSUI, AND MR. ROHRABACHER; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. MATHESON; (ADDED JULY 28, 2008), MR. LAMPSON, MS. BORDALLO, MR. HODES, AND MR. ELLSWORTH; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2008), MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA

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.

Disabled Veterans Tax Termination Act

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 339

Jan. 9, 2007

MR. DUNCAN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 28, 2007), MR. BOREN; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. WYNN

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.

Veterans Outpatient Care Access Act of 2007

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 358

Jan. 9, 2007

MR. REICHERT (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 17, 2007), MR. MEEHAN, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, MS. CASTOR, AND MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2007), MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. CARTER, MR. CLEAVER, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. HOBSON, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, AND MR. HOLT; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MR. REHBERG; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2007), MR. SPRATT, MR. SHULER, MS. KAPTUR, MR. CUMMINGS, AND MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. MCHUGH; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2007), MR. CRAMER, MR. GOHMERT, AND MR. PEARCE; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2007), MS. HIRONO, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. SPACE, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, AND MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. GOODE, MR. MCINTYRE, MRS. DRAKE, MR. LAMPSON, AND MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MR. GINGREY, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. KAGEN, MR. MURTHA, MR. DOYLE, AND MS. SUTTON; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MR. COHEN, MS. NORTON, MR. MCCOTTER, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. CARSON, AND MR. NADLER; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. HENSARLING, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. HELLER; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. GORDON

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.

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 366

Jan. 10, 2007

MR. SULLIVAN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LUCAS, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MS. FALLIN, AND MR. BOREN

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Jan. 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 25, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Dec. 18, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Dec. 18, 2007—Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-156.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 402

Jan. 11, 2007

MR. KNOLLENBERG (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 12, 2007), MR. EHLERS, AND MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2007), MR. UPTON; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. HAYES, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MRS. DRAKE; (ADDED JAN. 19, 2007), MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. REICHERT, MS. DEGETTE, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. GOODE, AND MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. GORDON; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2007), MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. PASTOR, AND MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED MAR. 22, 2007), MR. PORTER; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. BOREN; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. RAHALL; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. PEARCE; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. SHULER; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. WYNN; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. FEENEY; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. VAN HOLLEN

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.

Veterans' Disability Compensation Automatic COLA Act

Jan. 11, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 446

Jan. 12, 2007

MR. BILIRAKIS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MS. SHEA-PORTER, AND MR. MCNULTY; (ADDED JAN. 30, 2007), MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. HINOJOSA, AND MR. PAYNE; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JUNE 13, 2007), MR. TIBERI; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Christopher and Dana Reeve Quality of Life for Persons with Paralysis Act

Jan. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 447

Jan. 12, 2007

MR. FORTENBERRY (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. PASTOR

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.

Jan. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 463

Jan. 12, 2007

MR. ROTHMAN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALEXANDER, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. DEFazio, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. KAPTUR, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. BOUSTANY, MRS. LOWEY, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. ALLEN, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. KUCINICH, MR. WAXMAN, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. SCHIFF, MR. WEXLER, MR. BERMAN, MR. HARE, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MS. MATSUI, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. DELAHUNT, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, AND MR. CONYERS; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MS. HIRONO; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED MAR. 8, 2007), MR. HOLT; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. PAYNE, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. KANJORSKI; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. RYAN OF OHIO; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. ELLISON, AND MS. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, AND MR. REYES; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ISRAEL; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. HOLDEN, AND MR. WYNN; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. LIPINSKI, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED FEB. 21, 2008), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MR. ROSS

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").

Honor Our Commitment to Veterans Act

Jan. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 474

Jan. 16, 2007

MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO (FOR HERSELF), MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, AND MR. PEARCE

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Jan. 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 508

Jan. 17, 2007

MS. WOOLSEY (FOR HERSELF), MS. LEE, MS. WATERS, MS. WATSON, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. FATTAH, MR. NADLER, MR. CONYERS, MR. CLAY, MR. COHEN, MR. HINCHEY, MR. FILNER, MR. KUCINICH, MR. PAYNE, AND MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. FARR, MS. CARSON, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. STARK, AND MR. ELLISON; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. LOEBSACK; (ADDED JAN. 30, 2007), MR. SERRANO; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MR. OLVER; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. TOWNS, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. GUTIERREZ; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. OBERSTAR; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. ABERCROMBIE, MS. CLARKE, MR. CLEAVER, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. HARE, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. PASTOR, MS. SOLIS, MS. VELAZQUEZ, AND MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2007), MR. JACKSON OF ILLINOIS, AND MR. HONDA; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. CAPUANO; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED APR. 24, 2007), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. RUSH; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. WATT

To require United States military disengagement from Iraq, to provide United States assistance for reconstruction and reconciliation in Iraq, and for other purposes.

Bring the Troops Home and Iraq Sovereignty Restoration Act of 2007

Jan. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Veterans' Affairs, Rules, and the Judiciary.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 513

Jan. 17, 2007

MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. MURTHA, MR. JEFFERSON, MR. ORTIZ, MR. FATTAH, AND MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. REYES, MR. SPRATT, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. PITTS, AND MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. HOLDEN, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. WU; (ADDED SEPT. 20, 2007), MR. HARE, AND MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. STEARNS, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED NOV. 5, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE, AND MS. BORDALLO

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.

National Heroes Credit Protection Act

Jan. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Oct. 25, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 Nov. 2, 2007—Discharged from the Full Committee.
 Nov. 5, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 349-0 (Roll No. 1035).

H.R. 538

Jan. 17, 2007

MR. ORTIZ (FOR HIMSELF), MR. HINOJOSA, MR. DOGGETT, AND MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED MAY 2, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JULY 26, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. PASTOR; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. PAUL, AND MR. BACA; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. HALL OF TEXAS

To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.

South Texas Veterans Access to Care Act of 2007

Jan. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 542

Jan. 17, 2007

MS. SOLIS (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. KUCINICH, MS. LEE, MR. REYES, AND MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. BACA, MR. BECERRA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. ELLISON, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. HONDA, MS. MATSUI, MR. ORTIZ, MR. PASTOR, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MR. SERRANO, AND MR. SIRES; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2007), MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2007), MR. BERMAN; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MS. HIRONO; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Jan. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 585

Jan. 19, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED JULY 30, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MRS. LOWEY

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.

Jan. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 19, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 612

Jan. 22, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. CANNON; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. HARE, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, AND MRS. GILLIBRAND; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. CARNEY, AND MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. ELLISON; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. ENGEL, MR. BLUMENAUER, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

Returning Servicemember VA Healthcare Insurance Act of 2007

Jan. 22, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Mar. 13, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
 Mar. 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup scheduled, the bill was pulled.
 May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 419-0 (Roll No. 411).
 Dec. 6, 2007—Provisions of this bill were included in H.R. 1585, the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008.
 Jan. 28, 2008—National Defense Authorization Act of 2008 became bill number H.R. 4986, Public Law 110-181.

H.R. 650

Jan. 24, 2007

MR. REYNOLDS (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MS. FALLIN, MR. FORTUNO, MS. GIFFORDS, MR. HAYES, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MRS. MYRICK, MR. SESSIONS, AND MR. WOLF; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MR. WYNN

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.

Jan. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 653

Jan. 24, 2007

MR. REYNOLDS (FOR HIMSELF) AND MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JAN. 30, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED JAN. 31, 2007), MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED FEB. 5, 2007), MR. POE, MR. COHEN, AND MR. HIGGINS; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2007), MS. HIRONO, AND MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 7, 2007), MR. LAMPSON; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. WEXLER

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.

Joseph I. Hoover Combat Veteran Affidavit Act of 2007

Jan. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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H.R. 674

Jan. 24, 2007

MR. GUTIERREZ (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA

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.

Jan. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by voice vote.
Jul. 24, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 772.
Jul. 24, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 491.
Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
Jul. 31, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Sep. 9, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6832.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 675

Jan. 24, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN

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.

*Disabled Veterans Adaptive
Housing Improvement Act*

Jan. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 704

Jan. 29, 2007

MR. BILIRAKIS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MR. TERRY; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 28, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. REYES; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2007), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. BARROW

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.

Jan. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 19, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Oct. 26, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 760

Jan. 31, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ISSA, MR. HONDA, MR. ROHRBACHER, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. BILBRAY, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MRS. DRAKE, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. LANTOS, MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. BECERRA, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. ROSKAM, MS. BERKLEY, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. FALCOMA, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. INSLEE, MS. MATSUI, MR. LIPINSKI, MS. BEAN, AND MR. EMANUEL; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. CALVERT, MRS. TAUSCHER, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. RANGEL, AND MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. WOLF, AND MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. LAMPSON; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. SCHIFF, AND MS. CARSON; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. LYNCH, MS. BALDWIN, MR. HINCHEY, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. WU, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. STARK, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MRS. CAPPS, AND MR. RUSH; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED APR. 20, 2007), MR. FARR, MS. SOLIS, AND MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MRS. CAPITO (WITHDREW ON JAN. 17, 2008); (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MS. KILPATRICK, MR. JACKSON OF ILLINOIS, MR. FATTAH, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. PORTER, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, AND MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, AND MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. PASTOR, AND MS. NORTON; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MR. PASCRELL, MS. HARMAN, AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. SARBANES; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MR. SHERMAN; (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. REYES, MR. MOLLOHAN, AND MS. WATERS; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MS. WATSON; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. ROYCE, MR. BERMAN, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 17, 2007), MR. WAXMAN, AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. DOYLE; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. PAYNE, MR. ANDREWS, MR. BAIRD, AND MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2007), MS. LEE, MR. CROWLEY, AND MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MS. SHEAPORTER; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF

PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. BACA, MR. SHULER, AND MS. ESHOO; (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MR. SIRES, AND MS. KAPTUR; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. COSTA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. NADLER; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MS. SPEIER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, AND MS. RICHARDSON; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. HOLT; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK

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.

Filipino Veterans Equity Act of 2007

- Jan. 31, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Feb. 15, 2007—Full Committee hearing held on Filipino veterans.
- Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Jun. 27, 2007—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Jul. 17, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- Jul. 30, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill, as ordered reported. The Department opposes certain provisions of the bill and expresses concerns with regards to the cost of the legislation.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 797

Feb. 5, 2007

MS. BALDWIN (FOR HERSELF), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. FILNER, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MS. KAPTUR, MR. FATTAH, MS. KILPATRICK, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. DOYLE, MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA, MR. HIGGINS, AND MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. REYES; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MS. CARSON, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. RYAN OF WISCONSIN, AND MR. KIND; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2007), MR. YARMUTH, MR. MCCOTTER, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. HOLDEN, MR. PAYNE, MR. SPACE, MS. HIRONO, AND MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. SENSENBRENNER, MR. KAGEN, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. MANZULLO, MR. COHEN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. MATSUI, MR. HOLT, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MS. DEGETTE, AND MR. MURTHA; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. BAKER, AND MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. HARE, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. LAMBORN, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. ORTIZ

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

*Dr. James Allen Veteran
Vision Equity Act*

Feb. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Mar. 13, 2007—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
Mar. 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by unanimous voice vote.
Mar. 20, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-57.
Mar. 20, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 28.
Mar. 21, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 424-0 (Roll No. 175).
Nov. 2, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Nov. 2, 2007—Senate struck all after the Enacting Clause and substituted the language of S. 1163, as amended.
Nov. 2, 2007—Measure laid before the Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate with an amendment by Unani-

mous Consent.

Nov. 30, 2007—Sent letter to the Committee on Ways and Means requesting waiver of consideration to subsection (a) of section 301 of the amendment to H.R. 797.
Dec. 4, 2007—Committee on Ways and Means waived consideration of the amendment.
Dec. 11, 2007—House agreed to Senate amendment with amendments pursuant to H. Res. 855.
Dec. 17, 2007—Senate agreed to House amendments to Senate amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-157.

H.R. 941

Feb. 8, 2007

MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS

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 Vermillion County, Illinois.

Feb. 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 963

Feb. 8, 2007

MR. STUPAK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MR. BOREN; (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY

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.

Veterans Travel Fairness Act

Feb. 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1041

Feb. 14, 2007

MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SAXTON, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. MCHUGH

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.

Veterans Health Care Full Funding Act

Feb. 14, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1102

Feb. 15, 2007

MR. SNYDER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BOOZMAN, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. REYNOLDS, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. ROSS, MR. HONDA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. PLATTS, MR. GOODE, MR. HAYES, MR. REYES, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. MCCOTTER, AND MR. ALLEN; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. MICHAUD, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. SHULER, MS. HARMAN, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. RAMSTAD, AND MR. MELANCON; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. STEARNS, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, AND MR. PASTOR; (ADDED MAR. 22, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MS. CARSON, MS. HOOLEY, MS. DELAURO, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. ALEXANDER, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. FILNER, MR. LAHOOD, MR. SOUDER, MS. BALDWIN, AND MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. COHEN, AND MR. LANGEVIN; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. TIBERI, MR. HIGGINS, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. HODES, MR. ORTIZ, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, AND MRS. GILLIBRAND; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. JINDAL; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. LAMPSON, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. RYAN OF OHIO; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MR. RAHALL, AND MR. TERRY; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. GONZALEZ, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MR. HOLT; (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. SPACE, AND MR. SCHIFF; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. STUPAK, AND MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. ELLSWORTH; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. PEARCE; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MS. PRYCE OF OHIO; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. DEFazio, AND MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. STARK; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA

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.

*Total Force Educational Assistance
Enhancement and Integration Act of 2007*

Feb. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 1137 **Feb. 16, 2007**

MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MR. McCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. BURTON OF INDIANA; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, AND MS. CARSON; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. WOLF; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. TIAHRT

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.

Feb. 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1197 **Feb. 27, 2007**

MR. BILIRAKIS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 8, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. GORDON, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. SAM JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2008), MR. FEENEY; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

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

Prisoner of War Benefits Act of 2007

Feb. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1211 **Feb. 27, 2007**

MR. MATHESON (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MCINTYRE, MR. TAYLOR, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. EDWARDS, MR. BERRY, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. DEFazio, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. HOLT, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. LATHAM, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, MRS. CAPPS, MR. HIGGINS, MR. MELANCON, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. ALEXANDER, MR. CLEAVER, MR. EMANUEL, MR. WAMP, MR. SALAZAR, MR. CUELLAR, MR. FATTAH, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. BORDALLO, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HOLDEN, MR. DOYLE, MR. SHULER, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MS. MATSUI, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. LYNCH, MR. ROSS, MR. BOUCHER, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MS. BERKLEY, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. HOOLEY, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. BOSWELL, MR. ELLISON, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. FARR, AND MR. LANTOS; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. McDERMOTT, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. McCOTTER, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED MAR. 22, 2007), MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. McNERNEY; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. REYES; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, AND MR. KANJORSKI; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MR. PAYNE, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. OBERSTAR

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.

Resuming Education After Defense Service Act of 2007

Feb. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1214

Feb. 27, 2007

MR. RAMSTAD (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. TAYLOR; (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA

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

*Veterans' Survivors Education
Enhancement Act*

Feb. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 1226

Feb. 28, 2007

MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MS. HIRONO, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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

Feb. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 1240

Feb. 28, 2007

MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS (FOR HERSELF), MR. LANTOS, AND MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. FILNER, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. CONYERS, MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, MR. RUSH, MR. FATTAH, MS. NORTON, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. CROWLEY, MR. MANZULLO, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, AND MR. LANGEVIN; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. DOYLE; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MS. CARSON, AND MR. BACA

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.

Feb. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 29, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.

Jul. 17, 2007—Provisions incorporated into H.R. 1315.

H.R. 1253

Feb. 28, 2007

MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. ELLISON

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, as the "Charles W. Lindberg Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Feb. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1272

Mar. 1, 2007

MS. BERKLEY (FOR HERSELF), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. BERMAN, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. CHANDLER, AND MR. GUTIERREZ; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Veterans' Pension Improvement Act of 2007

Mar. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1273

Mar. 1, 2007

MS. BERKLEY (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. CROWLEY; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. TOWNS; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. WEINER

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.

Mar. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Jul. 7, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 1284

Mar. 1, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY, MS. BERKLEY, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. SPACE, AND MR. ORTIZ

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.

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2007

Mar. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Mar. 13, 2007—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.

Mar. 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by unanimous voice vote.

Mar. 20, 2007—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-56.

Mar. 20, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 27.

Mar. 21, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 418-0 (Roll No. 176).

Oct. 18, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Oct. 18, 2007—Measure laid before the Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Nov. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-111.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1315

Mar. 5, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member.

Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2007

Mar. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 29, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
 Jul. 17, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Provisions of H.R. 1240, H.R. 1632, and H.R. 1750 included in H.R. 1315. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 Jul. 27, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 110-266.
 Jul. 27, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 168.
 Jul. 30, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

H.R. 1318

Mar. 5, 2007

MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. ARCURI

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.

Veterans' Benefits Protection Act

Mar. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1323

Mar. 5, 2007

MR. SALAZAR (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. PERLMUTTER; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MS. DEGETTE, MR. TANCREDO, AND MRS. MUSGRAVE

To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.

Mar. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1354

Mar. 6, 2007

MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LAHOOD, MR. CROWLEY, MR. FARR, MR. GRIJALVA, MS. KAPTUR, MR. KENNEDY, MR. MARKEY, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. WOOLSEY, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MS. BERKLEY, MR. STARK, MS. HIRONO, MR. WAXMAN, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. LANGEVIN, MR. CAPUANO, MR. HARE, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. NADLER, MR. RAMSTAD, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. HONDA, MR. PASCARELL, MR. WU, MR. FILNER, MR. RUSH, MR. SHAYS, MR. BERMAN, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. CARSON, MS. MATSUI, MR. KAGEN, MR. WEXLER, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. MURTHA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, AND MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED MAR. 9, 2007), MR. ARCURI, AND MS. WATSON; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. HIGGINS, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. SHULER, AND MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MR. SARBANES; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MS. KILPATRICK, AND MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. CRAMER; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. ALLEN; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. SAXTON; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. REYES; (ADDED JULY 12, 2007), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MS. SLAUGHTER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. JEFFERSON

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.

Lane Evans Veterans Health and Benefits Improvement Act of 2007

Mar. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

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H.R. 1370

Mar. 7, 2007

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. BILIRAKIS, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. LAMBORN

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.

Disabled Veterans Sports and Special Events Promotion Act of 2007

Mar. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
 Jun. 14, 2007—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
 Jun. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Mar. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.
 Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions are included in H.R. 4255, as amended.

H.R. 1382

Mar. 7, 2007

MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. PLATTS; (ADDED APR. 30, 2007), MR. McCOTTER

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

Mandatory Funding for Veterans Act of 2007

Mar. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1426

Mar. 9, 2007

MR. LATHAM (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. PEARCE, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MR. McCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. McCAUL OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. PAYNE; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MS. GRANGER; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MS. PRYCE OF OHIO; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. HOEKSTRA; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. SHULER; (ADDED FEB. 26, 2008), MRS. DRAKE

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.

Richard Helm Veterans' Access to Local Health Care Options and Resources Act

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the bill.

H.R. 1435

Mar. 9, 2007

MR. BACA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MS. KAPTUR, MR. FATTAH, MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. ORTIZ; (ADDED APR. 24, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. ROHRBACHER, AND MR. McINTYRE; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MR. HARE, MR. COSTA, AND MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. CALVERT; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. HOLT; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2008), MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Department of Veterans Affairs Claims Backlog Reduction Act of 2007

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Apr. 17, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1436

Mar. 9, 2007

MR. BILIRAKIS (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. FORTENBERRY; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. SESSIONS; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. WALDEN OF OREGON; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. DONNELLY; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. ALEXANDER; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MR. SAXTON; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. FORTUNO, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2008), MR. HAYES; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. GOHMERT; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. GERLACH

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.

Retired Pay Restoration Act

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1444

Mar. 9, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MRS. LOWEY

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Apr. 17, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1448

Mar. 9, 2007

MRS. LOWEY (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. EDWARDS; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. DOGGETT, MR. CONYERS, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. ENGEL, MS. HOOLEY, AND MR. OLVER; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. SCHIFF, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. CLEAVER, AND MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. WEXLER; (ADDED MAY 2, 2007), MR. WATT; (ADDED JUNE 14, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. ISRAEL, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. VAN HOLLEN

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.

*VA Hospital Quality Report
Card Act of 2007*

Mar. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 1470

Mar. 12, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. PAUL, MR. BOSWELL, MR. LOEBSACK, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, AND MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED MAY 16, 2007), MR. GORDON, AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. DOGGETT, MR. HARE, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, AND MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

*Chiropractic Care Available
to All Veterans Act*

Mar. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
May 10, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by unanimous voice vote.
May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 421-1 (Roll No. 412).
Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 1471

Mar. 12, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. PAUL; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MR. GOODE; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2007), MRS. DRAKE; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MS. BERKLEY

To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.

*Better Access to Chiropractors
to Keep our Veterans Health Act
(BACK Veterans Health Act)*

Mar. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1472

Mar. 12, 2007

MR. BARROW (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BACA, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. BOSWELL, MS. BORDALLO, MR. BOUCHER, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. BOREN, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. SOUDER

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.

Disabled Veterans Fairness Act

Mar. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1490

Mar. 13, 2007

MR. DONNELLY (BY REQUEST) AND MR. UPTON; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. COBLE, MR. KIRK, MR. WALBERG, MR. LAHOOD, MR. GILCHREST, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. PAUL, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. RAMSTAD, MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. DUNCAN, MR. DOYLE, MR. LATOURETTE, MRS. EMERSON, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, AND MR. KELLER

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.

Mar. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Apr. 17, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jul. 29, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 5892.

H.R. 1511

Mar. 13, 2007

MR. ROHRBACHER

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.

Mar. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

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H.R. 1527

Mar. 14, 2007

MR. MORAN OF KANSAS (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED APR. 24, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. CUELLAR, AND MR. GILLMOR; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. TIAHRT; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED DEC. 11, 2007), MR. NEUGEBAUER; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. DOOLITTLE, AND MR. LAHOOD; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MR. TERRY; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. BOREN; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. HARE, AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. BRADY OF TEXAS, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. WALDEN OF OREGON, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. BUYER; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. SIMPSON; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. SHUSTER

To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

Rural Veterans Access to Care Act

Mar. 14, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 26, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 Jul. 31, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.
 Aug. 1, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-817.
 Aug. 1, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 531.
 Sep. 9, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended).
 Sep. 10, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 417-0 (Roll No. 578).
 Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 1538

Mar. 15, 2007

MR. SKELTON (FOR HIMSELF), MR. HUNTER, MR. SNYDER, MR. MCHUGH, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. REYES, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. SHUSTER, MR. MCINTYRE, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MRS. TAUSCHER, AND MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. SAXTON, AND MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED MAR. 23, 2007), MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. HAYES, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. GRAVES, MR. BILBRAY, MS. BERKLEY, MR. SOUDER, MR. GINGREY, MR. WALBERG, MR. AKIN, MR. PORTER, AND MS. HARMAN

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.

Wounded Warrior Assistance Act of 2007

Mar. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 16, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
 Mar. 20, 2007—Sent letter to the Committee on Armed Services waiving consideration of the bill.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Armed Services H.Rept. 110-68, Part I.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 39.
 Mar. 27, 2007—Received Statement of Administration Policy.
 Mar. 28, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 426-0 (Roll No. 208)
 Jul. 25, 2007—Passed the Senate with further amendments by Unanimous Consent.

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H.R. 1541

Mar. 15, 2007

MR. BRALEY OF IOWA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LOEBSACK, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAR. 27, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. MCGOVERN, AND MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. DOYLE, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MS. NORTON; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. GORDON

To provide support and assistance for families of members of the National Guard and Reserve who are undergoing deployment, and for other purposes.

*Coming Together for Guard
and Reserve Families Act*

Mar. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 15, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 1546

Mar. 15, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BOUCHER, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. CROWLEY, MR. HARE, MR. HIGGINS, MR. HINCHEY, MR. HOLT, MS. HOOLEY, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MS. NORTON, MR. RAHALL, MR. SPACE, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Mar. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1594

Mar. 20, 2007

MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALTMIRE, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GERLACH, MR. SESTAK, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. SHUSTER, MR. MURTHA, MR. DOYLE, MR. DENT, MR. PITTS, MR. HOLDEN, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAR. 23, 2007), MR. FATTAH; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MR. CALVERT; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. KANJORSKI, MS. SCHWARTZ, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.

Mar. 20, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Sep. 15, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
Sep. 17, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 410-0 (Roll No. 604).
Sep. 30, 2008—Passed the Senate by Unanimous Consent.
Oct. 14, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-410.

H.R. 1598

Mar. 20, 2007

MR. ISRAEL (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. DAVIS OF KENTUCKY

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.

Servicemembers Credit Protection Act

Mar. 20, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services.
Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1632

Mar. 21, 2007

MR. REICHERT (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. FORTUNO, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HINCHEY, AND MS. CARSON; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. SPACE, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.

Improving Veteran's Reemployment Act of 2007

Mar. 21, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 29, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 Jul. 17, 2007—Provisions incorporated into H.R. 1315.

H.R. 1641

Mar. 22, 2007

MR. SNYDER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. BUYER, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. BOOZMAN, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. PICKERING; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. COHEN; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. MANZULLO

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.

Montgomery GI Bill Integration Act of 2007

Mar. 22, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 1642

Mar. 22, 2007

MR. SHERMAN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. FILNER

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.

Homeless Veterans Housing at Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center Promotion Act

Mar. 22, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
 Apr. 11, 2007—Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations discharged.
 Apr. 18, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by unanimous voice vote.
 May 7, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

H.R. 1660

Mar. 22, 2007

MR. SALAZAR (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, AND MR. PERLMUTTER; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MS. DEGETTE; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MRS. MUSGRAVE; (ADDED APR. 24, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.

Mar. 22, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means.
 Mar. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Apr. 24, 2007—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
 May 25, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill, as amended by the Committee. The Department opposes the legislation.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1702

Mar. 26, 2007

MS. WOOLSEY (FOR HERSELF), MS. LEE, MR. KUCINICH, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MS. KILPATRICK, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. SERRANO, MR. STARK, MR. BECERRA, MS. CARSON, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. ELLISON, MR. FILNER, MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. HINCHEY, MR. HONDA, MS. KAPTUR, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. RUSH, MS. SOLIS, AND MS. WATSON; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. FARR, AND MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MS. NORTON, AND MR. FATTAH; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. COHEN; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. HARE, MS. CLARKE, MR. CLAY, MR. CLEAVER, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. JACKSON OF ILLINOIS, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. PAYNE, MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI, MS. VELAZQUEZ, MR. WATT, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, MR. WYNN, AND MR. OLVER; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. CONYERS

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.

Common Sense Budget Act of 2007

Mar. 26, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Education and Labor, Homeland Security, Foreign Affairs, and Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 1732

Mar. 28, 2007

MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GOHMERT, MR. PITTS, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MRS. EMERSON, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, AND MR. RENZI; (ADDED APR. 16, 2007), MS. FOXX, AND MR. BARTON OF TEXAS; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED APR. 18, 2007), MR. CARNEY, AND MR. BISHOP OF UTAH; (ADDED APR. 30, 2007), MR. DOYLE; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MS. NORTON; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MR. LOEBSACK; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA; (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MR. PEARCE; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. RUPPERSBERGER; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. BURGESS; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. MOORE OF KANSAS; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 26, 2008), MR. CARTER, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA

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.

Mar. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1750

Mar. 28, 2007

MR. WYNN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. WEXLER

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.

Mar. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 29, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.

Jul. 27, 2007—Provisions included in H.R. 1315.

Jul. 30, 2007—Provisions were pulled from H.R. 1315 due to PAYGO.

H.R. 1808

Mar. 29, 2007

MR. KINGSTON (FOR HIMSELF), MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, MR. LINDER, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. GINGREY, MR. BARROW, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. CONAWAY, MR. BONNER, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. LATHAM, MR. BOSWELL, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. HAYES, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. REHBERG, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. SESSIONS, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. DELAHUNT, MS. FALLIN, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MS. FOXX, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. DINGELL, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. GARY G. MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, MR. GOHMERT, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON, MRS. EMERSON, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MR. WAMP, MR. BUYER, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. HASTERT, MR. GILLMOR, MR. UPTON, MR. ADERHOLT, MR. ENGEL, MR. WOLF, MR. SHUSTER, MR. WICKER, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. LAHOOD, MRS. DRAKE, MR. GOODE, MR. PITTS, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. COBLE, MR. HOBSON, MR. BURGESS, MS. CARSON, MR. PETRI, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. BACA, MR. HENSARLING, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. DUNCAN, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. LAMBORN, MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, MR. KING OF IOWA, AND MR. BOUSTANY; (ADDED MAY 2, 2007), MR. CALVERT, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. FEENEY, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Mar. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Oct. 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 417-0 (Roll No. 988)

Oct. 31, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Oct. 31, 2007—Measure laid before the Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Nov. 8, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-112.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1812

Mar. 29, 2007

MS. LEE (FOR HERSELF), MR. PAYNE, MR. RUSH, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. COHEN, MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED APR. 20, 2007), MR. McNULTY

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.

*Menopausal Hormone Replacement Therapies
and Alternative Treatments and Fairness
Act of 2007*

Mar. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Education and Labor, Oversight and Government Reform, and Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1824

Mar. 29, 2007

MR. MICHAUD (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MR. NEUGEBAUER

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.

Mar. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Oct. 26, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 1853

Mar. 29, 2007

MS. WATSON (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. DOGGETT, AND MR. BURTON OF INDIANA

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.

*Jose Medina Veterans Affairs
Police Training Act of 2007*

Mar. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1863

Apr. 17, 2007

MR. LAMBORN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BUYER

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.

Apr. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

May 8, 2008—Provisions of this bill were included in H.R. 2199.

H.R. 1864

Apr. 17, 2007

MR. LAMBORN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BUYER

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.

Apr. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 1879

Apr. 17, 2007

MR. CARTER

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.

Apr. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1900

Apr. 17, 2007

MR. RAHALL (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS

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.

Apr. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 7, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 1901

Apr. 17, 2007

MR. RAHALL (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS

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.

Apr. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 7, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the legislation.

H.R. 1925

Apr. 18, 2007

MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA

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

Apr. 18, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 1944

Apr. 19, 2007

MR. ALTMIRE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. MICHAUD, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. BOSWELL, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. DONNELLY, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. RAMSTAD, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. HARE, MR. ARCURI, MR. CARNEY, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. SPACE, MR. KAGEN, Ms. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. ALLEN, Ms. BERKLEY, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. KENNEDY, Ms. CASTOR, Ms. SCHWARTZ, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. COURTNEY, AND MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED APR. 23, 2007), Ms. SUTTON, Mrs. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. DOYLE, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. HOLT, MR. ELLISON, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. SOUDER, MR. LEVIN, MR. HINCHEY, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. FATTAH, MR. ADERHOLT, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, Mrs. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, Ms. CARSON, Ms. KILPATRICK, AND MR. EMANUEL; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MR. CUELLAR, MR. KILDEE, Ms. NORTON, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, Ms. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, AND MR. HIGGINS; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. MITCHELL, AND Ms. LEE; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO, AND MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. LATHAM

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.

Veterans Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment Act of 2007

Apr. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 May 8, 2008—Provisions of this bill were included in H.R. 2199.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 1969

Apr. 19, 2007

MR. TERRY (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. WOLF, AND MRS. BLACKBURN; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2007), MR. FEENEY; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. WEXLER

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.

*Montgomery G.I. Bill
Improvement Act of 2007*

Apr. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 2005

Apr. 23, 2007

MR. SALAZAR (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 24, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. HOOLEY, AND MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED APR. 25, 2007), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. KAGEN, MR. ELLISON, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED APR. 30, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, AND MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED MAY 1, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAY 3, 2007), MR. KIND, AND MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED MAY 9, 2007), MR. HARE, AND MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MS. BALDWIN; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MS. CARSON, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. EMANUEL, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. CROWLEY, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MS. SUTTON, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. BOREN, MR. CARNEY, MR. ARCURI, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. DINGELL, MR. CAPUANO, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. HIGGINS, MR. SIRES, AND MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED JUNE 13, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO, AND MR. CONYERS; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. BOUSTANY, AND MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2007), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED JULY 12, 2007), MR. HINOJOSA, AND MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. BOUCHER, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON

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

*Rural Veterans Health Care
Improvement Act of 2007*

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 30, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2026

Apr. 25, 2007

MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MR. SPRATT; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. LOBIONDO

To amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans.

Disabled Veterans Insurance Act of 2007

Apr. 25, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 30, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

May 28, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity and referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2172

May 3, 2007

MR. REYES (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 21, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Amputee Veteran Assistance Act

May 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2173

May 3, 2007

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF) AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. KENNEDY

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.

May 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2179

May 3, 2007

MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), Ms. McCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers.

May 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
May 8, 2007—Provisions of this bill were included in H.R. 2199.

H.R. 2189

May 7, 2007

Ms. DELAURO (FOR HERSELF), MR. FATTAH, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. DOGGETT, MR. PASTOR, Mrs. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, Ms. CASTOR, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. WOOLSEY, MR. STARK, Ms. McCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. PAYNE, MR. COURTNEY, Ms. CARSON, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, Ms. KILPATRICK, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. ELLISON, MR. ALLEN, MR. TOWNS, Ms. SUTTON, MR. KENNEDY, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. TIERNEY, Ms. BORDALLO, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, AND Mrs. JONES OF OHIO; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), Ms. BERKLEY, AND MR. CHANDLER; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. CUMMINGS, AND MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2007), MR. CAPUANO; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. GUTIERREZ; (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), Ms. WATERS, AND Ms. HIRONO; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), Ms. NORTON, MR. HINCHEY, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. WEINER; (ADDED MAR. 3, 2008), MR. OBERSTAR; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), Ms. BALDWIN

To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

Sgt. Jonathan Schulze Military Health Services Improvement Act of 2007

May 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2190

May 7, 2007

MR. DONNELLY

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Advisory Committee on Rural Veterans.

*Advisory Committee on Rural
Veterans Act of 2007*

May 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2192

May 7, 2007

MR. HODES (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. CROWLEY, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. MATHESON, MS. KAPTUR, MS. DEGETTE, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. SHULER, MR. DOYLE, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. BUTTERFIELD; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. BOSWELL, MR. ANDREWS, MR. COHEN, MR. YARMUTH, MR. ALLEN, AND MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. CONAWAY, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. LYNCH, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MR. GILCHREST, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. WAXMAN, AND MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. CUMMINGS, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. ELLISON, AND MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. McINTYRE, AND MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. BUYER

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

May 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

Jun. 5, 2007—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

Jun. 6, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 5, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.

Jun. 11, 2008—Full Committee Markup scheduled, the bill was pulled.

Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.

Jul. 24, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 773.

Jul. 24, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 492.

Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 398-0 (Roll No. 536).

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2199

May 8, 2007

MR. MICHAUD (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 14, 2007), MR. HARE, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MS. BERKLEY, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. HINCHEY, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. MCGOVERN, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. HOLT, MR. HODES, MR. MATHESON, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. ELLISON, MR. TAYLOR, MR. MELANCON, MR. BOREN, MR. POMEROY, MR. BOSWELL, MR. DONNELLY, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. ENGEL, MR. ALLEN, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MR. BLUMENAUER; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. CUMMINGS, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. SPRATT

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.

Traumatic Brain Injury Health Enhancement and Long-Term Support Act of 2007

May 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 May 9, 2007—Provisions of H.R. 1944, H.R. 2179, and H.R. 1863 are included in H.R. 2199.
 May 10, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
 May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 May 23, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-166.
 May 23, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 100.
 May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 421-0 (Roll No. 413).
 Dec. 6, 2007— Provisions of section 2 of the bill were included in H.R. 1585, the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008.
 Jan. 28, 2008—National Defense Authorization Act of 2008 became bill number H.R. 4986, Public Law 110-181.

H.R. 2201

May 8, 2007

MR. McNERNEY (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED MAY 10, 2007), MR. ETHERIDGE; (ADDED JUNE 15, 2007), MR. SESTAK

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.

Caring for Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 2007

May 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2219

May 8, 2007

MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. RAMSTAD, MR. SIRES, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. HILL, MR. MICHAUD, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, AND MR. GILCHREST; (ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. FORTENBERRY, MS. KAPTUR, MRS. EMERSON, MR. McDERMOTT, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. CONAWAY, AND MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED JUNE 22, 2007), MR. CLAY, MR. FILNER, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. McNERNEY, MS. DELAURO, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. FORTUNO; (ADDED JULY 13, 2007), MS. BERKLEY, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MRS. MUSGRAVE; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Veterans Suicide Prevention Hotline Act of 2007

May 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 May 14, 2007—Subcommittee on Health discharged.
 May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Bill was referred back to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 2225

May 8, 2007

MR. WAXMAN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 15, 2007),
MS. HARMAN; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2007), MR. BERMAN

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.

*West Los Angeles Department of Veterans Affairs
Medical Center Preservation Act of 2007*

May 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

H.R. 2226

May 8, 2007

MR. WELCH OF VERMONT (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. KAGEN

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.

May 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2239

May 9, 2007

MR. BOOZMAN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 16, 2007),
MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED MAY 17, 2007), MS. EDDIE
BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. CARNEY;
(ADDED MAY 21, 2007), MR. ELLISON; (ADDED MAY
22, 2007), MR. BLUMENAUER

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

*Early Access to Vocational Rehabilitation
and Employment Benefits Act*

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
May 14, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity discharged.
May 15, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 414-0 (Roll No. 414).

H.R. 2245

May 9, 2007

MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON

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

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 11, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Jun. 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Aug. 1, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Aug. 1, 2008—Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Aug. 12, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law No. 110-302.

H.R. 2247

May 9, 2007

MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 14, 2007), MR. STUPAK, AND MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. PASTOR, AND MR. DEFazio; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. GORDON; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. COURTNEY, MR. ELLSWORTH, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. CRAMER, MR. PAUL, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MCGOVERN

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.

*Montgomery GI Bill for Life
Act of 2007*

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 2257

May 9, 2007

MR. WELCH OF VERMONT (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK

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.

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2258

May 9, 2007

MR. WELCH OF VERMONT

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.

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2259

May 9, 2007

MR. WELCH OF VERMONT

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.

May 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Oct. 26, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes the bill.

H.R. 2292

May 14, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SPACE, MR. DONNELLY, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MS. HOOLEY, MS. BEAN, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. HARE, MR. COURTNEY, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. KAGEN; (ADDED MAY 15, 2007), MR. KUCINICH, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. DEFazio, MR. HILL, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, AND MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. COHEN

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.

Pay Veterans First Act

May 14, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

May 22, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

H.R. 2346

May 16, 2007

MR. FOSSELLA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. BURGESS; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. ROHRABACHER

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.

May 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 22, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2378

May 17, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN

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.

Services to Prevent Veterans Homelessness Act

May 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 2385

May 17, 2007

MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. PASTOR; (ADDED JULY 30, 2007), MR. GORDON; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. PASCRELL

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.

*21st Century GI Bill of Rights
Act of 2007*

May 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Small Business.

May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 2408

May 21, 2007

MR. KAGEN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PETRI, MR. OBEY, MR. KIND, MS. BALDWIN, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. SENSENBRENNER, AND MR. RYAN OF WISCONSIN; (ADDED OCT. 18, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN

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

May 21, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Oct. 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

Dec. 13, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 13, 2007—Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 21, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-145.

H.R. 2417

May 21, 2007

MR. VISCLOSKY (FOR HIMSELF), MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MS. MATSUI, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. BERMAN, MR. FORTUNO, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. HONDA, MR. CLEAVER, MR. PLATTS, MR. HOBSON, MR. McDERMOTT, MS. KILPATRICK, MS. CARSON, MR. HINCHEY, MR. TOWNS, MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MS. WOOLSEY, MS. BERKLEY, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. TAYLOR, MR. CONYERS, MR. MITCHELL, MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. CARNEY, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. DELAURO, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED MAY 22, 2007), MR. TERRY; (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. DOYLE, MR. GONZALEZ, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED JUNE 6, 2007), MR. ROSS, MR. HILL, AND MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2007), MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. COHEN; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2007), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MR. STARK; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. WAXMAN, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MR. STEARNS; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MR. NADLER; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MS. HIRONO, AND MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. PALLONE; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. FALEOMAVAEGA; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2008), MR. LATHAM

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.

*Montgomery GI Bill Second
Chance Act of 2007*

May 21, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 2434

May 22, 2007

MRS. DRAKE (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED MAY 23, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 24, 2007), MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED JUNE 7, 2007), MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. POE

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.

Veterans Right to Know Act of 2007

May 22, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2475

May 24, 2007

MR. MICHAUD (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MR. INSLIE; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA

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

Veteran Home Equity Conversion Mortgage Act of 2007

May 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services.
 May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 2514

May 24, 2007

MR. HARE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. COURTNEY, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. DOYLE, MR. BOSWELL, MR. REYES, MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, MR. DEFazio, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. HINCHEY, MR. ELLISON, MS. BERKLEY, MR. HOLDEN, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. COHEN, MR. KAGEN, MS. HOOLEY, MR. MCINTYRE, MR. CLEAVER, MR. ALLEN, MR. TIERNEY, MR. ENGEL, MR. KUCINICH, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. STUPAK, MS. CARSON, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. WEXLER, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. PASCHELL, MR. LIPINSKI, MR. BACA, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MS. CLARKE, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. DOGGETT, MS. BALDWIN, MR. NADLER, MR. YARMUTH, MR. POMEROY, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. CONYERS, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. SCHIFF, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. HIGGINS, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. MARKEY, MR. STARK, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. ALTMIRE, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. LOEBSACK, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. CARNEY, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. SPACE, MR. RODRIGUEZ, AND MR. SARBANES; (ADDED JUNE 13, 2007), MR. KANJORSKI; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2007), MR. ARCURI, MR. SHERMAN, AND MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. GORDON, MR. PAUL, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. RUSH, MR. GUTIERREZ, AND MS. SUTTON; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MS. SLAUGHTER; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. JACKSON OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. COSTELLO, MR. ORTIZ, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MRS. CAPPS, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. HOLT, MR. WYNN, MR. TOWNS, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. ETHERIDGE, MS. DELAURO, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. PAYNE, AND MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. BERMAN, MRS. TAUSCHER, AND MR. RAHALL; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. BOUCHER, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. EMANUEL, MR. SALAZAR, AND MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MS. WATSON, MRS. NAPOLITANO, AND MR. HONDA; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. KIND; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MS. ROS-LEHTINEN; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. ROSS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. THOMPSON OF

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CALIFORNIA; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MS. MATSUI, AND MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MS. SOLIS; (ADDED NOV. 20, 2008), MR. PASTOR

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

Assured Funding for Veterans Health Care Act

May 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2540 **May 24, 2007**

MR. POMEROY (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON

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.

Honoring Existing Retirement Obligations for Every Servicemember Act of 2007

May 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2546 **May 24, 2007**

MR. SHULER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MCHENRY, MR. COBLE, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. WATT, MR. HAYES, MRS. MYRICK, MS. FOXX, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. MCINTYRE

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

May 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 25, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 381-0 (Roll No. 550).
Nov. 1, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Nov. 1, 2007—Measure laid before the Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Nov. 15, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-117.

H.R. 2551 **May 24, 2007**

MR. TERRY (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FORTENBERRY, AND MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2007), MR. KING OF IOWA

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.

May 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means.
May 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2579 **June 6, 2007**

MR. BOOZMAN

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.

Jun. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 21, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 2602 **June 6, 2007**

MR. STUPAK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. EHLERS, MR. KNOLLENBERG, MR. LEVIN, MR. HOEKSTRA, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. DINGELL, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. WALBERG; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2007), MR. KILDEE, MR. CONYERS, MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. UPTON, AND MR. MCCOTTER

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

Jun. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 25, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Nov. 7, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Nov. 7, 2007—Measure laid before Senate by Unanimous Consent. Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Nov. 16, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-118.

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H.R. 2623

June 7, 2007

MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 17, 2007), MR. MARSHALL

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

Jun. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 10, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jun. 14, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jun. 28, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 Jul. 17, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 Jul. 27, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-267.
 Jul. 27, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 169.
 Jul. 30, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
 Aug. 19, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill.
 Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 2681

June 12, 2007

MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA

To provide for the maintenance, management, and availability for research of assets of the Air Force Health Study.

Jun. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2689

June 12, 2007

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF), MR. KENNEDY, MR. SIRES, AND MR. PEARCE; (ADDED JUNE 27, 2007), MR. ORTIZ, MR. KAGEN, AND MR. GORDON; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. DOGGETT; (ADDED MAR. 6, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN, AND MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. REYES; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. PASTOR

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.

Jun. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 2696

June 13, 2007

MR. LAMBORN

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

Veterans' Dignified Burial Assistance Act of 2007

Jun. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2697

June 13, 2007

MR. LAMBORN

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.

Jun. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jul. 31, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 2699

June 13, 2007

MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ARCURI; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE

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.

Jun. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Aug. 19, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill.

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H.R. 2702

June 13, 2007

MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. CARNEY, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. BOUCHER, AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2007), MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MS. CARSON, AND MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MR. COHEN, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. SIRES, MR. CARNAHAN, AND MR. STARK; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. ELLISON, MR. WU, MS. KILPATRICK, AND MR. PAYNE; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MS. HOOLEY; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. WYNN; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. FILNER, AND MR. DINGELL; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. HARE, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. BACA; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2007), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. RAHALL, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2007), MS. DELAURO, MR. HAYES, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, AND MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY, MR. SHULER, AND MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. SCHIFF, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MS. BERKLEY, MR. FERGUSON, AND MR. SAXTON; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2007), MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, AND MR. WATT; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. TOWNS, MR. CONYERS, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MS. SUTTON, AND MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MR. ALLEN, AND MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MRS. LOWEY, MR. HINCHEY, AND MR. ETHERIDGE; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. DONNELLY, AND MR. PALLONE; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MS. GIFFORDS, MR. LAMPSON, MR. ROTHMAN, AND MR. LANTOS; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MR. HIGGINS; (ADDED DEC. 11, 2007), MS. MATSUI, AND MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. TIERNEY; (ADDED DEC. 17, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. HONDA; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2008), MR. ANDREWS; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. KING OF NEW YORK; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2008),

MR. LOEBSACK; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. DEFAZIO, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MRS. CAPPS, MR. GORDON, MS. ESHOO, AND MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. HOLT, MS. TSONGAS, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MRS. CAPITO; (ADDED MAR. 6, 2008), MR. SHAYS; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MRS. MYRICK, AND MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. ISRAEL; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. WALDEN OF OREGON, MR. PORTER, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. RYAN OF OHIO; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. CARDOZA, MR. BOSWELL, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. COSTA; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. PASCRELL; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. MOORE OF KANSAS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MS. KAPTUR; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MRS. EMERSON

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.

Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2007

- Jun. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2721

June 14, 2007

MR. CARDOZA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. COHEN, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. SHULER, MR. ARCURI, MR. MATHESON, MS. MATSUI, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MR. DONNELLY, AND MR. ELLSWORTH; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2008), MR. MELANCON, AND MR. ELLISON; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MS. SOLIS; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2008), MR. COSTA

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.

Jun. 14, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.

H.R. 2790

June 20, 2007

MR. HARE (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. MORAN OF KANSAS; (ADDED JULY 30, 2007), MR. HOLDEN, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MS. CARSON; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. HINCHEY, MR. KAGEN, MR. KENNEDY, MR. DEFazio, MS. KILPATRICK, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, AND MR. DOYLE; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. PASTOR, AND MR. ALLEN; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported (amended) to the Full Committee by voice vote.

Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) en bloc by voice vote.

May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-642.

May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 403.

May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.

H.R. 2795

June 20, 2007

MR. PEARCE

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.

Reasonable Rates for Veterans Act

Jun. 20, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2818

June 21, 2007

MR. PERLMUTTER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. MICHAUD, MR. KENNEDY, MR. SALAZAR, MR. WEXLER, AND MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2007), MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED JUNE 28, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MS. CARSON, AND MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. HINCHEY, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. RUPPERSBERGER; (ADDED JULY 11, 2007), MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JULY 12, 2007), MR. RAMSTAD; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. WYNN, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, AND MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY, MR. SARBANES, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MS. DEGETTE, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. ARCURI, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. CUELLAR, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. FARR, MR. HODES, MR. STUPAK, MR. BACA, MR. CROWLEY, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. LOEBSACK, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. SIRES, MS. SUTTON, AND MR. DONNELLY; (ADDED JULY 25, 2007), MR. BOUCHER, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. COURTNEY, MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, MR. KAGEN, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. SOLIS, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, MR. YARMUTH, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. BALDWIN, MR. LOBIONDO, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MS. DELAURO, MR. EMANUEL, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, AND MR. WATT; (ADDED JULY 27, 2007), MR. CHANDLER, MR. POMEROY, MR. ACKERMAN, MR. BOSWELL, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. MARCHANT, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. SESTAK, AND MR. MOORE OF KANSAS; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. CUMMINGS, MR. PASTOR, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MS. HIRONO, MS. BERKLEY, MR. CLYBURN, MR. KINGSTON, MR. MARSHALL, MR. SPRATT, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. LANGEVIN, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. ALLEN; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. JINDAL; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MS. CLARKE, AND MR. HOYER; (ADDED SEPT. 19, 2007), MR. BAIRD, AND MR. MORAN OF KANSAS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2007), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, AND MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. BRADY OF TEXAS; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. PLATTS; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. CASTOR, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BOREN, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. LAMPSON, MRS. TAUSCHER, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. ROSKAM, MS. GIFFORDS, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. MITCHELL, MR. TIERNEY, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MRS.

GILLIBRAND; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. RUSH; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. SPACE; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. PORTER, AND MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED MAR. 6, 2008), MR. MARKEY, AND MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. SHAYS, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. SOUDER, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, AND MR. BURGESS; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. ROSS, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, AND MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. NADLER, AND MRS. BLACKBURN; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MR. PASCRELL

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.

- Jun. 21, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 29, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jun. 5, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
- Jun. 11, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- Jun. 19, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-722.
- Jun. 19, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 457.
- Jun. 24, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 2855

June 25, 2007

MR. RODRIGUEZ

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.

Wounded Heroes' Bill of Rights Act

- Jun. 25, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means and Armed Services.
- Jul. 3, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2874

June 27, 2007

MR. MICHAUD (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. SALAZAR, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MS. BERKLEY, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. LOESACK, MR. BOSWELL, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. ARCURI, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. DONNELLY, MR. MITCHELL, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. ALLEN, MR. SPACE, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA

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

Veterans' Health Care Improvement Act of 2007

- Jun. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 27, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jun. 28, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Bill was withdrawn from consideration and held in the Subcommittee on Health for further discussion.
- Jul. 11, 2007—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
- Jul. 17, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Provisions of H.R. 2005, H.R. 2689, H.R. 2378, H.R. 2699 included in H.R. 2874. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- Jul. 27, 2007—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-268.
- Jul. 27, 2007—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 170.
- Jul. 30, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 14, 2007—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill, as passed by the House. The Department supports the bill on the whole, however, opposes sections 6 and 10.
- Sep. 9, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6832.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 2899

June 28, 2007

MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. GINGREY, AND MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MR. LINDER; (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, AND MR. KINGSTON; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. BROWN OF GEORGIA, MR. MARSHALL, AND MR. BARROW; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA

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".

Walter Carl Jordan, Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic Act of 2007

- Jun. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jul. 3, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 2910

June 28, 2007

MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA (FOR HERSELF), MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2007), MS. CARSON, MR. FILNER, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. CARTER, MR. RUSH, MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. BOSWELL, AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED JULY 12, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. SOUDER, AND MR. SPRATT; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. BLUMENAUER, MS. WOOLSEY, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. DEFazio; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. HINOJOSA, AND MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MRS. CAPPS, MR. SESTAK, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MS. LEE, MR. HINCHEY, MR. LOEBSACK, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MRS. TAUSCHER; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HONDA, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. WEXLER, MR. HOLDEN, MR. SIRES, AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED AUG. 4, 2007), MR. ORTIZ, AND MR. ELLISON; (ADDED SEPT. 11, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MR. MCCOTTER, MR. HOLT, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HARE, MR. FATTAH, MR. MCGOVERN, MS. DELAURO, MR. LAMPSON, MS. KAPTUR, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, MR. PAYNE, MR. CROWLEY, AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. GERLACH, MR. TOWNS, MR. SCHIFF, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MR. BERRY; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MS. WATERS; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. LANGEVIN, AND MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED NOV. 5, 2007), MR. NADLER, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. HAYES, MR. SARBANES, MR. COURTNEY, AND MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED NOV. 8, 2007), MR. SAXTON, AND MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

*Veterans Education Tuition
Support Act of 2007*

Jun. 28, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 3, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup.

Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions are included in H.R. 6225, as amended.

H.R. 3008

July 11, 2007

MR. WU (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HILL, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. KAGEN; (ADDED JULY 13, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO, AND MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 16, 2007), MR. CUELLAR, AND MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED JULY 19, 2007), MR. FORTUNO; (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED JULY 30, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MR. TOWNS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2007), MR. GORDON; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. SHULER; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. RUSH; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2008), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. CHILDERS; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. HOLDEN, AND MR. ROSS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), MS. BORDALLO

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.

*Rural Veterans Services Outreach
and Training Act*

Jul. 11, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 3040

July 12, 2007

MR. SPACE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 24, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MS. MATSUI, MR. HARE, MR. HINCHEY, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MS. SUTTON; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MR. ABERCROMBIE; (ADDED OCT. 12, 2007), MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MS. HIRONO

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.

Jul. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3047

July 16, 2007

MR. LAMBORN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. STUPAK, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BOOZMAN, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. HAYES, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. MANZULLO, MR. GRAVES, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, AND MR. FORTUNO; (ADDED JULY 25, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. BAKER, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MRS. MUSGRAVE, AND MR. HOEKSTRA; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. BUYER; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED OCT. 18, 2007), MR. STEARNS; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. SALI; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2008), MR. SCALISE

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.

*Veterans Claims Processing
Innovation Act of 2007*

Jul. 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3051

July 16, 2007

MR. SALAZAR (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PASCRELL, MR. ELLISON, MR. McDERMOTT, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. McNULTY, MR. PAYNE, MR. CLAY, MRS. EMERSON, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. HINCHEY, MR. NADLER, MR. KUCINICH, MR. SESTAK, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. KAGEN, MR. EMANUEL, MS. SUTTON, MR. RANGEL, MS. MATSUI, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MS. HOOLEY, MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. SIRE, MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, MR. WAXMAN, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. PERLMUTTER, AND MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED JULY 18, 2007), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED JULY 23, 2007), MR. CAPUANO, MR. CARNAHAN, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED JULY 26, 2007), MR. BERMAN; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. HOLT, MR. SAXTON, AND MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED SEPT. 20, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MRS. MUSGRAVE; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. HARE

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.

Heroes at Home Act of 2007

Jul. 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Sep. 9, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3065

July 17, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2007), MR. MICHAUD, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. ALLEN

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

Jul. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 3070

July 17, 2007

MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA

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.

*Disabled Veterans' Caregiver
Compensation Act*

Jul. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3082

July 18, 2007

MS. CARSON

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.

*Montgomery GI Bill Degree
Extension Act of 2007*

Jul. 18, 2007— Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3102

July 19, 2007

MR. DOYLE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. ALTMIRE

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.

Jul. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3103

July 19, 2007

MRS. DRAKE (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JULY 31, 2007), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. CALVERT

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.

*Veteran's Choice in Nursing
Home Care Act*

Jul. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3210

July 27, 2007

MR. DONNELLY (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. RANGEL

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

*Wounded Warriors Expansion
of Care Act of 2007*

Jul. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 3249

July 31, 2007

MS. BERKLEY (FOR HERSELF), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MS. LEE, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. SERRANO, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MS. NORTON, MR. GORDON, MR. HARE, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. KAGEN, MR. FILNER, MR. VISCLOSKY, MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. NADLER; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. RODRIGUEZ, AND MR. PORTER; (ADDED SEPT. 6, 2007), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2007), MR. CONYERS; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MS. SUTTON; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2007

Jul. 31, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Aug. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3286

Aug. 1, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. LOBIONDO; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. HALL OF TEXAS; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. WU

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.

Aug. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Aug. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3298

Aug. 1, 2007

MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED AUG. 2, 2007), MR. MURTHA, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. BACA, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. MICHAUD, MR. ELLSWORTH, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MR. HARE, MR. CAPUANO, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MS. KAPTUR, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED AUG. 3, 2007), MR. SESTAK, AND MRS. TAUSCHER; (ADDED AUG. 4, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. ARCURI, MR. FILNER, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. STARK, AND MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MS. MATSUI, MR. ANDREWS, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MR. COURTNEY, MR. COOPER, AND MR. FARR; (ADDED SEPT. 6, 2007), MR. LOEBACK, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. MARSHALL, MR. ORTIZ, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED SEPT. 7, 2007), MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MS. CASTOR; (ADDED SEPT. 14, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. KENNEDY, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, AND MR. ABERCROMBIE; (ADDED SEPT. 19, 2007), MS. SUTTON; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. WEXLER; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2007), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MS. HOOLEY; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. McDERMOTT; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, AND MR. CONYERS; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2007), MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED OCT. 4, 2007), MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MS. HIRONO; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. DONNELLY, AND MR. McNERNEY; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. REYES, MR. EMANUEL, MR. VAN HOLLEN, AND MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. BLUMENAUER; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. LANGEVIN; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. SARBANES; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED DEC. 10, 2007), MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. DEFazio; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. COHEN, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED DEC. 17, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. HINCHEY, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. FORTUNO, AND MR. KUCINICH; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. HILL; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. FOSTER; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. COSTELLO

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow individ-

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uals 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.

21st Century Servicemembers Protection Act

Aug. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions are included in H.R. 6225.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions are included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 3338 **Aug. 2, 2007**

MR. LOBIONDO (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SAXTON, AND MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY

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.

Southern New Jersey Veterans Comprehensive Health Care Act

Aug. 2, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 20, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3393 **Aug. 3, 2007**

MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED SEPT. 19, 2007), MR. DOYLE, MR. HARE, AND MR. ELLISON; (ADDED OCT. 9, 2007), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), Ms. GIFFORDS, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, AND MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. CONYERS

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' re-employment 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.

Reservist Access to Justice Act of 2007

Aug. 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 13, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3415 **Aug. 3, 2007**

MR. LANGEVIN (FOR HIMSELF), Ms. BERKLEY, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. KILDEE, AND MR. KENNEDY

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.

Aug. 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 13, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3423 **Aug. 3, 2007**

MRS. LOWEY (FOR HERSELF), MRS. CAPPS, AND MR. ARCURI; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. BORDALLO, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, AND MR. RUSH; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. TOWNS, AND MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), Ms. MATSUI; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. KILDEE; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT, AND MR. PASTOR; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. SESTAK, Ms. ESHOO, AND Ms. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2008), Ms. LEE; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), Ms. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. DOGGETT; (ADDED SEPT. 29, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED DEC. 10, 2008), MR. STARK, MR. HARE, AND MR. MARKEY

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.

United States Cadet Nurse Corps Equity Act

Aug. 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Aug. 13, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 3455

Aug. 4, 2007

MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT

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.

21st Century Veterans Equitable Treatment Act

Aug. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 13, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3458

Aug. 4, 2007

MRS. CAPITO (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. WYNN; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, AND MR. CARNAHAN

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.

Aug. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 13, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3467

Aug. 4, 2007

MR. YARMUTH (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, AND MR. CLAY; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. COHEN; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY

To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.

Second Chance for America's Veterans Act

Aug. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3489

Sept. 6, 2007

MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA

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.

Northwest Florida Veterans Health Care Improvement Act

Sep. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Sep. 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3502

Sept. 7, 2007

MR. MORAN OF KANSAS (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SALAZAR, MRS. EMERSON, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2007), MR. PAYNE; (ADDED SEPT. 19, 2007), MR. PETRI; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

Wounded Warriors Commission Implementation Act of 2007

Sep. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Education and Labor, Oversight and Government Reform, and House Administration.
Sep. 21, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 3553

Sept. 17, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO

To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and improve certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sep. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 3558

Sept. 18, 2007

MR. BOOZMAN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MS. BERKLEY, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. GORDON, MR. FILNER, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. HAYES, MR. BILIRAKIS, MS. NORTON, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. BERRY; (ADDED SEPT. 19, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. LOBIONDO; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. FORBES, AND MR. SNYDER; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. ROSS, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. SAXTON, MR. BACHUS, AND MS. BALDWIN; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, AND MR. SPRATT; (ADDED OCT. 9, 2007), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. CAPUANO; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. HARE, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. FORTUNO

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.

Military Eye Trauma Treatment Act of 2007

Sep. 18, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3581

Sept. 19, 2007

MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA

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.

Sep. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3620

Sept. 20, 2007

MS. KILPATRICK

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.

Homecoming Enhancement Research and Oversight Act

Sep. 20, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 3645

Sept. 24, 2007

MR. SPACE (FOR HIMSELF), MS. SUTTON, MS. MATSUI, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. SHULER; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. FILNER; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED NOV. 5, 2007), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MRS. CHRISTENSEN; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2008), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. RYAN OF OHIO; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. CARSON

To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

Healthier Heroes Act

Sep. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Education and Labor, House Administration, and Oversight and Government Reform.
Oct. 1, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

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H.R. 3646

Sept. 24, 2007

MR. STEARNS (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. TERRY; (ADDED OCT. 4, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. FORTENBERRY; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. McCOTTER, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, AND MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MRS. EMERSON, MR. BUCHANAN, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. GORDON; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. HOLDEN, MR. KELLER, AND MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MRS. DRAKE; (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. WALBERG; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. COHEN, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. ALEXANDER, AND MR. UPTON; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. RUSH, AND MR. SENSENBRENNER; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2008), MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. McCAUL OF TEXAS, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED FEB. 26, 2008), MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2008), MRS. BONO MACK, AND MR. POE; (ADDED MAR. 3, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, AND MR. CANNON; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. PEARCE; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MRS. MYRICK, MS. SUTTON, AND MR. ISRAEL; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. FALCOMA; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2008), MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY

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.

- Sep. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Oct. 1, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3681

Sept. 27, 2007

MR. BOOZMAN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. SPACE, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. BARROW; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

Veterans Benefits Awareness Act of 2007

- Sep. 27, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Oct. 1, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
- Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-644.
- May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 405.
- May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 3741

Oct. 3, 2007

MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. RAMSTAD, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MRS. BACHMANN, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ELLISON; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MR. OBERSTAR; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA

For the relief of certain members of the First Brigade Combat Team of the 34th Infantry Division of the Army National Guard.

- Oct. 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Oct. 5, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 3786

Oct. 9, 2007

MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA (FOR HERSELF), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. BERRY, MR. GORDON, MR. SPRATT, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. KAGEN, MR. TERRY, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA

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.

Servicemembers Telecom Contract Relief Act

Oct. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 3794

Oct. 10, 2007

MR. FILNER

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.

Recognition of Forgotten Atomic Veterans and their Surviving Spouses Act of 2007

Oct. 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3795

Oct. 10, 2007

MR. FILNER

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.

You Were There, You Get Care Act of 2007

Oct. 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 3798

Oct. 10, 2007

MR. HAYES (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. BORDALLO

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

National Guard Employment Protection Act of 2007

Oct. 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 3819

Oct. 10, 2007

MR. SPACE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. HONDA; (ADDED JAN. 17, 2008), MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. ELLISON, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED JAN. 28, 2008), MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MRS. SCHMIDT, MS. SUTTON, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. DONNELLY, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MS. MATSUI; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. PEARCE, MR. GOODE, MRS. GILLIBRAND, AND MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. BOSWELL, MR. COHEN, AND MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MRS. NAPOLITANO, AND MR. GORDON; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. FILNER, AND MR. LIPINSKI; (ADDED FEB. 21, 2008), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MS. SLAUGHTER, AND MR. SESTAK; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. INSLEE; (ADDED MAR. 3, 2008), MR. FORTENBERRY; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE, AND MS. FOXX; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MS. SHEA-PORTER; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. DEFazio; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. SHIMKUS; (ADDED APR. 16, 2008), MR. ROSS; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. WATT; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. BUCHANAN; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. VAN HOLLEN; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

*Veterans Emergency Care
Fairness Act of 2007*

Oct. 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
 Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Reported, en bloc, by voice vote.
 May 15, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-638.
 May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 399.
 May 20, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended).
 May 21, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required); 412-0 (Roll. No. 347)
 Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 3856

Oct. 16, 2007

MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

Oct. 16, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Oct. 19, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 3882

Oct. 17, 2007

MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. OBERSTAR, MRS. BACHMANN, MR. RAMSTAD, MR. ELLISON, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. BOSWELL, MR. LOEBSACK, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. HILL, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. FILNER, MR. HARE, MR. KAGEN, MR. SALAZAR, MR. EDWARDS, MR. STUPAK, MR. MURTHA, MR. DONNELLY, MR. BUYER, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. POMEROY, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. RODRIGUEZ, AND MR. KING OF IOWA; (ADDED OCT. 24, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. LUCAS, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. DANIEL E. LUNGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. PITTS, MR. GINGREY, MR. FORTUNO, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. MANZULLO, MR. JORDAN, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MR. HENSARLING, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. AKIN, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, MR. FEENEY, MR. MARCHANT, MR. FORTENBERRY, MR. WAMP, MR. SHADEGG, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, MR. ROSKAM, MR. CAMPBELL OF CALIFORNIA, MR. GOODE, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. WALBERG, MRS. BLACKBURN, AND MS. FOX; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MR. COURTNEY, MR. CONAWAY, MR. SESTAK, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. SUTTON, MR. MICHAUD, MR. VISCIOSKY, MS. BERKLEY, MR. YARMUTH, MR. ALTMIRE, MS. CARSON, MR. SIRES, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. SPACE, MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA, MR. KINGSTON, MR. ELLSWORTH, AND MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY, MR. SOUDER, MR. BUCHANAN, MRS. NAPOLITANO, AND MR. DOYLE; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. BILIRAKIS, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. COHEN, MS. MATSUI, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. SNYDER, MS. DELAURO, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. HOLT, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. HOLDEN, MR. DELAHUNT, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. CARNEY, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. TOM DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. BISHOP OF UTAH; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. STEARNS, MR. BAKER, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. TURNER, MR. BILBRAY, MR. LAMBORN, MR. KUCINICH, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. TAYLOR, AND MRS. JONES OF OHIO; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. REICHERT, MR. FARR, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. LANGEVIN, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. CAPUANO, MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. ROHRBACHER; (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MR. LINDER, MR. ENGEL, AND MR. WOLF; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008),

MR. CARSON

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.

Oct. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Oct. 19, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Oct. 25, 2007—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by unanimous voice vote.
 Nov. 7, 2007—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by unanimous voice vote.

H.R. 3889

Oct. 18, 2007

MR. BOOZMAN (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

Oct. 18, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Oct. 19, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
 Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
 Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-640.
 May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 401.
 May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
 Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 3954

Oct. 24, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. MCNERNEY

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.

*Providing Military Honors
 for our Nation's Heroes Act*

Oct. 24, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Oct. 24, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 3990

Oct. 29, 2007

MS. SLAUGHTER (FOR HERSELF), MR. ALLEN, MR. BACA, MS. BALDWIN, MS. BERKLEY, MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MRS. CAPPS, MR. COSTA, MR. CROWLEY, MS. DELAURO, MS. ESHOO, MR. FALEOMAVAEGA, MR. FARR, MR. FILNER, MR. GRIJALVA, MS. HIRONO, MR. HONDA, MR. INSLEE, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. MARKEY, MS. MATSUI, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. MICHAUD, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. NADLER, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MS. NORTON, MR. POE, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. SHAYS, MS. SOLIS, MR. TIERNEY, MR. WU, MS. SUTTON, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. ROTHMAN, MR. CARNEY, MR. DICKS, MR. VAN HOLLEN, AND MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MS. SCHAKOWSKY, AND MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. WEXLER; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. WAXMAN, AND MR. DOGGETT; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. WEINER, AND MR. SESTAK; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. YARMUTH; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. HOLT; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. TOM DAVIS OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MS. HARMAN; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. CUMMINGS, AND MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2008), MR. COHEN

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.

*Military Domestic and Sexual
Violence Response Act*

Oct. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary and Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4012

Oct. 30, 2007

MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO

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.

*Native American Veterans
Language Assistance Act of 2007*

Oct. 30, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4020

Oct. 31, 2007

MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS (FOR HERSELF), MR. FILNER, AND MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. LAMPSON, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. PAYNE, MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. CUELLAR, MR. FATTAH, MR. CUMMINGS, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED APR. 17, 2008), MR. JEFFERSON, AND MR. CARSON

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.

*Military Success in Iraq
Commemoration Act of 2007*

Oct. 31, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4023

Oct. 31, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. LATOURETTE

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.

Oct. 31, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4052

Nov. 1, 2007

MR. ABERCROMBIE (FOR HIMSELF), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MS. BORDALLO, MR. CLAY, MR. FILNER, MR. GORDON, MR. HINCHEY, AND MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. MCHUGH, MR. ARCURI, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. PEARCE; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MR. STUPAK

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.

Atomic Veterans Relief Act

Nov. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4053

Nov. 1, 2007

MS. BERKLEY (FOR HERSELF), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. FILNER, MS. WATSON, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. FALCOMAVAEGA, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. HARE, MR. BACA, MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. KAGEN; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MS. SUTTON; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. SHULER; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, AND MR. WAXMAN; (ADDED APR. 16, 2008), MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. ELLISON, AND MR. BERMAN; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

Mental Health Improvements Act of 2007

Nov. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 2, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 4084

Nov. 6, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK

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.

Veterans Quality of Life Study Act of 2007

Nov. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Nov. 8, 2007—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Mar. 6, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes sections 2 and 3.

H.R. 4089

Nov. 6, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. LATOURETTE; (ADDED DEC. 17, 2007), MR. SPACE; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. FARR, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, AND MR. DOYLE; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MS. WOOLSEY, MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. LOEBSACK, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. ALLEN, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. STARK, AND MR. PALLONE; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. ELLISON; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. CONYERS; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. SIRES, AND MR. ROSS; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2008), MR. HARE; (ADDED SEPT. 23, 2008), MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA

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.

Nov. 6, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 5, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4107

Nov. 7, 2007

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF) AND MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED DEC. 11, 2007), MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. HINCHEY, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED APR. 2, 2008), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED APR. 17, 2008), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. ALLEN, MRS. CAPPS, AND MR. ETHERIDGE; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. DOYLE; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. HOLT; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. MORAN OF KANSAS; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MR. SHAYS; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2008), MR. HULSHOF; (ADDED SEPT. 29, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN

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.

*Women Veterans Health Care
Improvement Act*

Nov. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4116

Nov. 8, 2007

MR. BURGESS (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. GORDON, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. BORDALLO, MR. CULBERSON, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. WOLF, MR. SESSIONS, AND MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, MR. GOODE, AND MRS. SCHMIDT; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. HENSARLING, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. RUSH, MR. KELLER, MR. MARCHANT, AND MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MR. WALBERG, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. PASTOR; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. FORBES; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MS. ESHOO, AND MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. TERRY; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. SHULER

To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.

Nov. 8, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 9, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 4130

Nov. 9, 2007

MR. WALBERG (FOR HIMSELF), MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. EHLERS, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. HOEKSTRA, MR. GORDON, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MR. HOLDEN, MR. DEFazio, MRS. CAPITO, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. HAYES, MR. ROHRABACHER, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. CONAWAY, MR. SALI, MR. ROYCE, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED NOV. 13, 2007), MR. WAMP; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MRS. BLACKBURN; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. PLATTS; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. GOODE

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain servicemembers to become eligible for educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill.

*Montgomery GI Bill
Enhancement Act of 2007*

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4141

Nov. 9, 2007

MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY (FOR HIMSELF), MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. GINGREY, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. PENCE, MR. CULBERSON, MR. CHABOT, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MS. FOXX, MR. GOHMERT, MR. CONAWAY, MR. LUCAS, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. GOODE, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MRS. McMORRIS RODGERS; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. TERRY, AND MR. LOBIONDO; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. FEENEY, MR. KING OF IOWA, AND MR. POE; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. LATTA; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. MATHESON, AND MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. CARTER, AND MR. ANDREWS; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MS. FALLIN, AND MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2008), MR. BOREN; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MR. SHULER; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. OBERSTAR, AND MR. HODES; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2008), MR. PAYNE

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.

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4142

Nov. 9, 2007

MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY

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.

*Improving Medication Access
for Veterans Act*

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4143

Nov. 9, 2007

MR. GINGREY (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project in Atlanta, Georgia.

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4146

Nov. 9, 2007

MR. HONDA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. SOUDER, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. NADLER, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. CONYERS

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.

Nov. 9, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4161

Nov. 13, 2007

MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS (FOR HIMSELF), MS. WATERS, MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED DEC. 6, 2007), MR. SHAYS, AND MR. CLEAVER

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.

Veterans Homelessness Prevention Act

Nov. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4169

Nov. 13, 2007

MR. TIAHRT (FOR HIMSELF), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. FILNER, MR. SESSIONS, MR. GOHMERT, MR. CARTER, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MS. BORDALLO, MR. COHEN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. CALVERT, AND MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. WOLF; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA

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.

American Braille Flag Memorial Act

Nov. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Feb. 13, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Feb. 14, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 396-0 (Roll No. 65)

H.R. 4171

Nov. 13, 2007

MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. INGLIS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. SPRATT, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. CLYBURN, MR. SKELTON, MR. ORTIZ, MR. TAYLOR, MR. MCKEON, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. HUNTER, MR. SAXTON, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. HAYES, MR. TURNER, MR. EVERETT, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MRS. DRAKE, MR. AKIN, MR. MCHUGH, MR. PASCRELL, MRS. MYRICK, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MR. SNYDER, MS. KAPTUR, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. HASTERT, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. WAMP, MR. DUNCAN, MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. KINGSTON, MS. ROSLEHTINEN, MRS. CAPITO, MR. ENGEL, MR. WELLER, AND MR. GILCHREST; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. ADERHOLT, MR. TIAHRT, MR. CALVERT, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. LAMBORN, AND MR. ISSA; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. WOLF

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.

Nov. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4204

Nov. 15, 2007

MR. BOSWELL (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LOEBSACK, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. MICHAUD, MR. SHULER, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. ALTMIRE, MR. REYES, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. FILNER, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. KAGEN, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MS. BEAN, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. BACA, MR. BARROW, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. MARSHALL, MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. EDWARDS, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. RUSH, AND MR. TOWNS; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. DELAHUNT, MS. WATSON, MR. MCDERMOTT, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. HOLDEN, MS. BERKLEY, MR. ROSS, MS. SUTTON, AND MR. DONNELLY; (ADDED DEC. 11, 2007), MR. SERRANO, MRS. NAPOLITANO, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. FARR, AND MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. ELLISON, MR. GRIJALVA, AND MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. HARE, MR. CLEAVER, MS. MATSUI, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MR. HILL; (ADDED APR. 15, 2008), MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. STARK; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. PERLMUTTER, AND MS. BALDWIN; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. MITCHELL, MR. CONYERS, AND MR. BLUMENAUER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. SCHIFF

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

Veterans Suicide Study Act

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4219

Nov. 15, 2007

MR. DONNELLY (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. UPTON

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.

*Immediate Benefits for
Wounded Warriors Act of 2007*

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4229

Nov. 15, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. SPACE, AND MR. KAGEN; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. ENGEL; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. CARSON

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.

*Department of Veterans Affairs
Management Accountability Act of 2007*

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Apr. 11, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 30, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Health and referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4231

Nov. 15, 2007

MR. KAGEN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SHULER, MR. POMEROY, MR. WEXLER, MR. WAMP, MR. TAYLOR, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MS. CLARKE, MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. MELANCON, MR. SESTAK, MR. CARNEY, MR. HOLDEN, MR. ELLISON, MS. BERKLEY, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. KILDEE, MR. FILNER, MR. BOSWELL, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. BACA, MR. BARROW, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. DICKS, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. DONNELLY, MR. HINCHEY, MR. MCDERMOTT, MS. TSONGAS, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. HIGGINS, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. CARSON

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.

*Rural Veterans Health Care
Access Act of 2007*

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 16, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jan. 17, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4255

Dec. 4, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED DEC. 19, 2007), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. LANGEVIN; (ADDED JAN. 15, 2008), MR. RUSH; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. HAYES, MR. BOOZMAN, AND MS. BALDWIN; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2008), MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. UPTON; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. CARSON, AND MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

*United States Olympic Committee
Paralympic Program Act of 2007*

- Dec. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Dec. 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Apr. 30, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Health and referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
- Jul 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote. Provisions of H.R. 1370 included in H.R. 4255.
- Jul. 24, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-774.
- Jul. 24, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 493.
- Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Jul. 31, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 4264

Dec. 4, 2007

MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. STEARNS, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. MACK, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. SPACE, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. MICA; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, AND MR. MORAN OF KANSAS; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. FEENEY, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MR. CARNEY, AND MR. KELLER; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED JAN. 23, 2008), MR. SPRATT; (ADDED JAN. 28, 2008), MR. CRENSHAW, AND MR. WEXLER; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. PUTNAM; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2008), MS. CASTOR; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA

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".

- Dec. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Dec. 7, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
- Jun. 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 4273

Dec. 4, 2007

MR. STUPAK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. DINGELL, AND MR. EHLERS; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. UPTON; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. WALBERG

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

- Dec. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Dec. 7, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4274

Dec. 4, 2007

MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK

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.

*Gold Star Parents Annuity
Act of 2007*

Dec. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 7, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4289

Dec. 5, 2007

MR. FORTUNO

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

Dec. 5, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 7, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Jun. 24, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Jul. 11, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Jul. 11, 2008—Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Jul. 30, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-292.

H.R. 4367

Dec. 11, 2007

MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. INGLIS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. SPRATT; (ADDED DEC. 12, 2007), MR. CLYBURN

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

Dec. 11, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 14, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 4463

Dec. 12, 2007

MR. COSTELLO (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MITCHELL, MR. SHIMKUS, AND MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY

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.

*Veterans Health Care Quality
Improvement Act*

Dec. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
Dec. 14, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
May 14, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department opposes two provisions of the bill.
Jun. 5, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 4539

Dec. 13, 2007

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. MICHAUD

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

*Department of Veterans Affairs Loan
Guaranty Cost Reduction Act of 2007*

Dec. 13, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 14, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4781

Dec. 18, 2007

MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PITTS, MR. KINGSTON, MR. SHADEGG, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MRS. MYRICK, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. GINGREY, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. SAM JOHNSON OF TEXAS, Ms. FOXX, MR. CONAWAY, MR. WOLF, MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. LINDER, MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, MR. FEENEY, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. GOODLATTE, MR. ISSA, MRS. BACHMANN, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. HERGER, MR. WAMP, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, MR. BRADY OF TEXAS, MR. FORTUNO, MR. WALBERG, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. GOHMERT, MR. PENCE, MR. SALI, MR. KING OF IOWA, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. ROSKAM, AND MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA

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.

Dec. 18, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 4853

Dec. 19, 2007

MR. BAKER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MCCRERY, MRS. BLACKBURN, MR. CANNON, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. ALEXANDER, MR. MELANCON, MR. JEFFERSON, AND MR. JINDAL

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.

Veterans Self-Employment Act of 2007

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 4883

Dec. 19, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. REYES, MR. ORTIZ, AND MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MS. SUTTON, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. LEE, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. SPACE, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. GONZALEZ; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MS. WATERS; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. COHEN

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.

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
Jul. 30, 2008—Provisions included in Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. P.L. 110-289.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4884

Dec. 19, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MR. PAYNE, AND MR. ANDREWS; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. REYES, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. ORTIZ, AND MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MS. SUTTON, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. LEE, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. SPACE, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. LOBIONDO; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. HOLT, AND MS. WATERS; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. ALLEN

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.

*Helping Our Veterans to Keep
Their Homes Act of 2008*

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
Jul. 30, 2008—Provisions included in Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. P.L. 110-289.

H.R. 4889

Dec. 19, 2007

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. BOSWELL

To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code.

*The Guard and Reserves Are
Fighting Too Act of 2008*

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.

H.R. 4915

Dec. 19, 2007

MS. PRYCE OF OHIO (FOR HERSELF), MR. HOBSON, AND MR. TIBERI; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2008), MR. EHLERS, MR. HOEKSTRA, MR. SHAYS, MR. RUSH, AND MR. COBLE; (ADDED JAN. 28, 2008), MR. LATTA, AND MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. BURGESS; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. CHABOT, AND MRS. LOWEY

To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access to hospital care for veterans in urban areas, and for other purposes.

*Veterans' Access to Local Options
for Recovery Act of 2007 or the Valor Act*

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 21, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 4918

Dec. 19, 2007

MS. ROS-LEHTINEN (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MR. CRENSHAW, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. WEXLER, MR. MACK, MS. CASTOR, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. FEENEY, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. STEARNS, MR. KELLER, MR. PUTNAM, MR. MICA, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA

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

Dec. 19, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 20, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Jun. 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
Aug. 1, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Aug. 1, 2008—Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Aug. 12, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-304.

H.R. 4931

Jan. 3, 2008

MS. BORDALLO (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. ABERCROMBIE

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.

Jan. 3, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jan. 18, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
Jun. 20, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5034

Jan. 17, 2008

MR. MCNERNEY

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.

*Veterans Education Benefits
Extension Act of 2008*

Jan. 17, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jan. 18, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5089

Jan. 22, 2008

MR. BARROW

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.

Veterans Disability Reform Act of 2007

Jan. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jan. 25, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5148

Jan. 28, 2008

MR. NEUGEBAUER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. SESSIONS, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. CARTER, MR. GOODE, MR. GORDON, MR. PEARCE, MR. ROHRABACHER, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, AND MR. PAUL; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. FORTUNO, MR. KAGEN, MS. FALLIN, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. FLAKE, MR. CARNEY, MR. WOLF, MRS. MYRICK, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. CONAWAY, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. TERRY, MR. CHABOT, AND MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2008), MR. GALLEGLY, AND MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED FEB. 25, 2008), MR. SESTAK, MR. PORTER, MR. SALI, MRS. CAPITO, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MRS. LOWEY, MR. LOBIONDO, MRS. BONO MACK, AND MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2008), MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. POE, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. VAN HOLLEN; (ADDED MAR. 4, 2008), MR. UPTON, MR. FORTENBERRY, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. HENSARLING, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED MAR. 10, 2008), MS. ESHOO, MR. SHAYS, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. MCCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. BOUCHER, AND MR. DOOLITTLE; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED SEPT. 23, 2008), MR. MCCOTTER

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.

*Combat Veterans Debt Elimination
Act of 2008*

Jan. 28, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Feb. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5155

Jan. 29, 2008

MS. SHEA-PORTER (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. TIERNEY, MR. HINCHEY, MR. SESTAK, MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. KUCINICH; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, MR. KAGEN, AND MR. HODES; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, AND MR. CARSON; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. ALTMIRE

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.

*Combat Veterans Debt Elimination
Act of 2008*

Jan. 29, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Feb. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5229

Feb. 6, 2008

MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ISRAEL, MR. BOOZMAN, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. CARTER, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. BISHOP OF UTAH, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. SCHIFF, MR. GORDON, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. ELLISON, MR. KIRK, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. WYNN, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MS. FOXX, MS. GIFFORDS, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. CARNEY, MR. LOEBSACK, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. GILCHREST, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. HILL, MRS. LOWEY, MS. BERKLEY, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. KING OF IOWA, MR. TIBERI, MR. MCHENRY, MR. WOLF, MR. KINGSTON, MR. PAUL, MR. GOODE, AND MR. SAXTON; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. ORTIZ, MR. LAMPSON, MR. TERRY, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, AND MR. SIMPSON; (ADDED FEB. 26, 2008), MS. DEGETTE; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. MCINTYRE, AND MR. ACKERMAN; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. PLATTS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. DREIER; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. GOODLATTE; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. RUSH

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.

Montgomery GI Bill Educational Assistance Transferability Act of 2008

Feb. 6, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Feb. 8, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5438

Feb. 14, 2008

MR. FALEOMAVAEGA

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".

Feb. 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Feb. 15, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 5448

Feb. 14, 2008

MR. ALLEN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED MAR. 6, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, AND MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. MCNERNEY, MS. BORDALLO, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. TERRY, AND MR. KAGEN; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. COHEN, MR. BURGESS, MR. HILL, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. HAYES; (ADDED APR. 17, 2008), MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. MCGOVERN, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MS. HIRONO, AND MR. STARK; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED SEPT. 29, 2008), MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, AND MRS. TAUSCHER; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2008), MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA

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.

Full Faith in Veterans Act of 2008

Feb. 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Feb. 15, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5454

Feb. 14, 2008

MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED FEB. 26, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. PAUL, MR. MCINTYRE, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED FEB. 27, 2008), MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PASTOR; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT, MR. ROHRABACHER, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. CLAY; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. MCGOVERN, MR. BISHOP OF UTAH, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MR. HALL OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. UPTON, MR. PICKERING, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. PLATTS, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. BILIRAKIS, AND MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. SHAYS, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. CARNEY; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. ANDREWS, AND MS. SPEIER; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. BOREN; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. THOMPSON OF MISSISSIPPI; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. GUTIERREZ; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MR. RYAN OF OHIO; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

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.

Feb. 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Feb. 15, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5509

Feb. 28, 2008

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 5, 2008), MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MR. SHAYS

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.

Nobel Warrior Act

Feb. 28, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Rules.
 Feb. 29, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5526

Mar. 4, 2008

MR. FORTUNO (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. SERRANO

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

Mar. 4, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 7, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5554

Mar. 6, 2008

MR. MICHAUD (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. ALLEN, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, AND MR. COHEN; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. LEVIN; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. CAPUANO

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.

*Veterans Substance Use Disorders
Prevention and Treatment Act of 2008*

Mar. 6, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 7, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) en bloc, by voice vote.
May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-639.
May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 400.
May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 5561

Mar. 10, 2008

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. ROHRABACHER, MR. BUCHANAN, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2008), MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. FORTUNO; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, AND MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, AND MRS. BONO MACK; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED APR. 15, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. MCHUGH; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. HIGGINS

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.

*Veterans Mortgage Stimulus
Clarification Act of 2008*

Mar. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5564

Mar. 10, 2008

MR. SHADEGG (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. POE, MR. BACHUS, AND MR. FOSSELLA; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. HELLER; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MS. GIFFORDS; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MRS. McMORRIS RODGERS; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. CHILDERS, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. LATTA; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. TURNER; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MR. SALI

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.

Jenny's Law

Mar. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5566

Mar. 10, 2008

MRS. CAPITO (FOR HERSELF), MRS. BIGGERT, AND MR. BACHUS; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MR. GALLEGLY

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.

Mar. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5576

Mar. 11, 2008

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. LAMBORN

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.

*Veteran Claims Backlog
Reduction Act of 2008*

Mar. 11, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5595

Mar. 12, 2008

MR. CARNEY (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. KIRK; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BOUCHER, AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. RYAN OF OHIO, MR. OBERSTAR, MR. ALTMIRE, MR. BERRY, MR. HOLT, MR. CAPUANO, MS. KAPTUR, MR. HOLDEN, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. TAYLOR, MS. HARMAN, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. MARSHALL, MS. CASTOR, MR. FATTAH, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. DOYLE, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MR. CARDOZA, MR. KANJORSKI, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. MITCHELL, MR. SHULER, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. MELANCON, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MS. SUTTON, MR. BOSWELL, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. ARCURI, MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. ROSS, MR. DONNELLY, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED APR. 15, 2008), MR. SOUDER, MR. CARSON, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. SARBANES, MR. REGULA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. HODES; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. SESTAK, MR. CONYERS, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. GERLACH; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MRS. LOWEY, AND MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED MAY 12, 2008), MR. EDWARDS, AND MR. BLUMENAUER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. KILDEE; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. HINCHEY, MR. BUTTERFIELD, AND MR. CHANDLER; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. CAZAYOUX; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MICHAUD

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.

Make Our Veterans Smile Act of 2008

Mar. 12, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 5622

Mar. 13, 2008

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA

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.

Veterans Timely Access to Health Care Act

Mar. 13, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 5623

Mar. 13, 2008

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA

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.

Department of Veterans Affairs Prosthetics Employees Standards Act of 2007

Mar. 13, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 5625

Mar. 13, 2008

MR. CLEAVER

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.

Mar. 13, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5651

Mar. 14, 2008

MR. MITCHELL

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.

*Student Veterans' College
Affordability Act of 2008*

Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor.

Mar. 21, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5663

Mar. 31, 2008

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 24, 2008),
MR. PASTOR

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.

Mar. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 4, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5664

Mar. 31, 2008

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 24, 2008),
MR. PASTOR; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. WALZ OF
MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

Mar. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 4, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.

Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported, as amended, en bloc, by voice vote.

May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-641.

May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 402.
May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 5684

Apr. 2, 2008

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED APR. 3, 2008), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED APR. 8, 2008), MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. BORDALLO, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED APR. 10, 2008), MR. MICHAUD, MR. CUELLAR, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED APR. 14, 2008), MR. REYES, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. FORTUNO, AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED APR. 15, 2008), MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. SPACE, AND MR. ROSS; (ADDED APR. 16, 2008), MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, AND MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. MOORE OF KANSAS; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. PAYNE, AND MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MS. DEGETTE, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MR. FALCOMAEGA, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. TOWNS, MR. DOGGETT, MR. BACA, AND MR. ALLEN; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. DONNELLY, MR. SHERMAN, MR. MCHUGH, MR. COSTA, MS. ROSLEHTINEN, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. CAPUANO; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. BUYER; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. GOODLATTE; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. LATHAM; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. HELLER, MR. DREIER, AND MR. HULSHOF; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. GOODE; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. GERLACH

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.

*Veterans Education Improvement
Act of 2008*

Apr. 2, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor.

Apr. 4, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Apr. 16, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee (amended) by voice vote.

Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5709

Apr. 3, 2008

MR. SPACE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 15, 2008), MR. BOSWELL, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED APR. 16, 2008), MR. ROSS; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. CARSON; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MS. KAPTUR, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. GOODE, AND MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2008), MR. SOUDER; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. SESTAK, MR. SHAYS, AND MR. PASCHELL; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MS. DEGETTE

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.

Veterans Disability Fairness Act

- Apr. 3, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Apr. 4, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
- Apr. 10, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
- Apr. 11, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Jul. 29, 2008—Provision included in H.R. 5892.

H.R. 5729

Apr. 8, 2008

MR. ELLSWORTH (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

Spina Bifida Health Care Program Expansion Act

- Apr. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Apr. 11, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
- Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
- Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
- May 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H. Rept. 110-645.
- May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 406.
- May 20, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 5730

Apr. 8, 2008

MR. FILNER

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.

- Apr. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Apr. 11, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Apr. 15, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
- Aug. 28, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department is opposed to the bill.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5736

Apr. 9, 2008

MR. ADERHOLT (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008),
MR. BACHUS, MR. BONNER, MR. CRAMER, MR.
DAVIS OF ALABAMA, MR. EVERETT, AND MR. ROGERS
OF ALABAMA

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

Apr. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 11, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Sep. 15, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the
bill.

Sep. 17, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the
bill by voice vote.

H.R. 5740

Apr. 9, 2008

MR. MITCHELL (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA,
MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. KING
OF NEW YORK, MR. CARNEY, MR. BOUCHER, MR.
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SESTAK, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MRS. MALONEY OF
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MR. MCHENRY, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. PASCRELL,
MS. BORDALLO, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR.
SAXTON, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MS.
KAPTUR, MS. SUTTON, MR. KENNEDY, MR. SERRANO,
MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR.
WEINER, MR. HINOJOSA, MS. ESHOO, MR.
RODRIGUEZ, MR. WALDEN OF OREGON, MR. KLEIN
OF FLORIDA, MR. ORTIZ, MR. TIM MURPHY OF
PENNSYLVANIA, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. HOLDEN, MR.
LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MS. MOORE OF
WISCONSIN, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. MURPHY OF
CONNECTICUT, MS. DELAURO, MR. COSTELLO, MRS.
CHRISTENSEN, MRS. CAPPS, MR. SHAYS, MS.
MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. TOWNS, MR.
DEFAZIO, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. HONDA, MR. WATT,
MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. ROTHMAN, MR. MAHONEY OF
FLORIDA, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MRS. MYRICK,
MR. DELAHUNT, MR. HARE, MR. SARBANES, MR.
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CLEAVER, MR. HINCHEY, MR. UDALL OF NEW
MEXICO, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MRS. BOYDA OF
KANSAS, MR. BOSWELL, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW
YORK, MR. LATHAM, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR.
CROWLEY, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. MILLER OF NORTH
CAROLINA, MS. TSONGAS, MR. MICHAUD, MS.
CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. DAVIS OF
ALABAMA, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MR. REICHERT,
MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. ROGERS OF
MICHIGAN, MR. WEXLER, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MRS.
CAPITO, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. PORTER, MR.
ALTMIRE, MR. SPACE, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA,
MR. HAYES, MR. ROSKAM, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF
TENNESSEE, MRS. SCHMIDT, MR. REYNOLDS, MR.
FOSSELLA, MR. CASTLE, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. SALI,
MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MR. BERRY, MR.
CARNAHAN, MR. TIERNEY, MR. BERMAN, MR.
WELCH OF VERMONT, MS. GIFFORDS, MR. PETERSON
OF MINNESOTA, MR. PALLONE, MR. PAYNE, MR.
RUSH, MR. CHABOT, MR. LAMPSON, MR. JACKSON
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LOBIONDO, MS. HOOLEY, MR. RANGEL, MR. KIND,
MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA,
MR. SHULER, MR. REYES, MR. ENGEL, MR. HIGGINS,
MR. KNOLLENBERG, MR. PLATTS, MR. KAGEN, MR.

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KENTUCKY, MS. SPEIER, AND MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. CUMMINGS, AND MR. RAHALL; (ADDED MAY 12, 2008), MR. TERRY, AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. HALL OF TEXAS; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. STARK; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. COBLE, AND MR. WOLF; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. BECERRA, AND MS. WATSON; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. CHANDLER, AND MR. FORTUNO

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.

Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008

Apr. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 11, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 5823

Apr. 16, 2008

MR. ISRAEL (FOR HIMSELF), MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, AND MRS. GILLIBRAND; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MS. CLARKE, AND MR. CROWLEY; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. HINCHEY, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, AND MR. ARCURI; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. ACKERMAN, AND MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. TOWNS, MR. LYNCH, AND MR. LAHOOD; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MR. ENGEL, MR. SHAYS, AND MR. HIGGINS; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. HOLDEN; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. BOSWELL, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. ROTHMAN, MR. WEINER, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. HARE, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. CARNEY, AND MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MS. KAPTUR, AND MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. REYES, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. SPACE, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MR. KILDEE, AND MR. FATTAH; (ADDED SEPT. 9, 2008), MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MS. SUTTON, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. TIERNEY, MR. FILNER, AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. McNULTY, MR. LATHAM, MR. WU, AND MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2008), MR. COURTNEY, AND MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2008), MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, AND MS. DELAURO; (ADDED NOV. 19, 2008), MS. WOOLSEY

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.

Apr. 16, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 22, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 5825

Apr. 16, 2008

MR. NUNES (FOR HIMSELF), MR. COSTA, MR. AKIN, MR. ALEXANDER, MR. ANDREWS, MR. ARCURI, MR. BACA, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BARROW, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MS. BEAN, MS. BERKLEY, MR. BERMAN, MR. BERRY, MR. BILBRAY, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BISHOP OF UTAH, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MRS. BLACKBURN, MR. BLUNT, MR. BOEHNER, MR. BONNER, MRS. BONO MACK, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BOREN, MR. BOSWELL, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. BRADY OF TEXAS, MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BURGESS, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. BUYER, MR. CALVERT, MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. CAMPBELL OF CALIFORNIA, MR. CANNON, MR. CANTOR, MRS. CAPITO, MR. CARDOZA, MR. CARNEY, MR. CARTER, MR. CASTLE, MR. CHABOT, MR. CHANDLER, MR. COBLE, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MR. CONAWAY, MR. COOPER, MR. CRAMER, MR. CRENSHAW, MR. CUBIN, MR. CUMMINGS, MR. DAVIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. TOM DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. DENT, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. DONNELLY, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. DOYLE, MRS. DRAKE, MR. DREIER, MR. EDWARDS, MR. EHLERS, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. EVERETT, MS. FALLIN, MR. FEENEY, MR. FERGUSON, MR. FILNER, MR. FLAKE, MR. FORBES, MR. FORTENBERRY, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. FOXX, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. GERLACH, MR. GINGREY, MR. GOHMERT, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. GOODE, MR. GORDON, MR. GRAVES, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. HARE, MS. HARMAN, MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON, MR. HAYES, MR. HELLER, MR. HERGER, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. HOEKSTRA, MR. HOLDEN, MR. HUNTER, MR. INSLEE, MR. ISSA, MR. SAM JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. KELLER, MR. KENNEDY, MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MR. KINGSTON, MR. KIRK, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. KUCINICH, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. LAHOOD, MR. LAMBORN, MR. LAMPSON, MR. LATHAM, MR. LATOURETTE, MR. LEWIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. LINDER, MR. LOBIONDO, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. LUCAS, MR. DANIEL E. LUNGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. LYNCH, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. MARSHALL, MR. MATHESON, MR. MCCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA, MR. McCAUL OF TEXAS, MR. McCOTTER, MR. McCREERY, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. MCHENRY, MR. MCHUGH, MR. McKEON, MRS. McMORRIS RODGERS, MR. McNERNEY, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, MR. MELANCON, MR. MICA, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, MR. GARY

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G. MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. MITCHELL, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MRS. MYRICK, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MS. NORTON, MR. ORTIZ, MR. PASTOR, MR. PEARCE, MR. PENCE, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. PITTS, MR. PLATTS, MR. POMEROY, MR. PORTER, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, MS. PRYCE OF OHIO, MR. PUTNAM, MR. RADANOVICH, MR. RAMSTAD, MR. REHBERG, MR. REYES, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. ROHRBACHER, MR. ROSKAM, MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, MR. ROSS, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MR. ROYCE, MR. RYAN OF WISCONSIN, MR. SALAZAR, MR. SALI, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. SAXTON, MR. SCHIFF, MRS. SCHMIDT, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. SENSENBRENNER, MR. SESSIONS, MR. SHAYS, MR. SHIMKUS, MR. SHULER, MR. SHUSTER, MR. SIMPSON, MR. SIRE, MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA, MR. SPYDER, MS. SOLIS, MR. SOUDER, MR. SPACE, MR. SPRATT, MR. STEARNS, MR. SULLIVAN, MR. TANNER, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. TAYLOR, MR. TERRY, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. TIBERI, MR. TURNER, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. UPTON, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. WALBERG, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. WAMP, MS. WATSON, MR. WAXMAN, MR. WELLER, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. WOLF, MR. YARMUTH, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. McNULTY; (ADDED APR. 17, 2008), MRS. EMERSON, MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS, MR. MACK, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. RENZI, MR. POE, MR. DUNCAN, AND MR. KNOLLENBERG; (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. TIAHRT, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MRS. CAPPS, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. REICHERT, MR. ALTMIRE, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. FRELINGHUYSEN, MRS. BACHMANN, MR. FORTUNO, MR. KAGEN, MR. TANCREDO, AND MR. ELLSWORTH; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. GOODLATTE, MR. FOSTER, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. MARCHANT, MR. HENSARLING, MR. HOBSON, MR. MANZULLO, MR. REGULA, AND MR. INGLIS OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. WALDEN OF OREGON, MR. BACHUS, MR. JORDAN, MR. CULBERSON, MR. GILCHREST, MR. SHADEGG, MS. GRANGER, AND MR. KING OF IOWA; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. HILL, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MR. LATTA, MR. PICKERING, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. ISRAEL, MR. OBERSTAR, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MS. BORDALLO, MR. HINCHEY, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, AND MR. CARSON; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED MAY

6, 2008), MR. HULSHOF, AND MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. LEVIN; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MS. GIFFORDS; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. BOUCHER; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. McINTYRE; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. ALLEN; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MS. ESHOO; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. SHERMAN; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. CHILDERS; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. BECERRA; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MS. RICHARDSON; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. COHEN; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MRS. BIGGERT

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.

Hubbard Act

Apr. 16, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and Oversight and Government Reform.

Apr. 25, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

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H.R. 5826

Apr. 16, 2008

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. BILIRAKIS, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BUYER

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.

*Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living
Adjustment Act of 2008*

Apr. 16, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 18, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Apr. 28, 2008—Discharged from the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by voice vote.
May 15, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 643.
May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 404.
May 20, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
May 21, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 417-0 (Roll No. 348).

H.R. 5856

Apr. 22, 2008

MR. MICHAUD

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.

*Department of Veterans Affairs Medical
Facility Authorization and Lease Act of 2008*

Apr. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 22, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Apr. 23, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported, en bloc, by voice vote.
May 15, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 648.
May 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 409.
May 20, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
May 21, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 416-0 (Roll No. 349).
Sep. 9, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6832.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 5857

Apr. 22, 2008

MR. BACHUS (FOR HIMSELF), MRS. BIGGERT, MRS. CAPITO, MR. BOEHNER, MR. BLUNT, MR. PUTNAM, MS. GRANGER, MR. MCCOTTER, MS. PRYCE OF OHIO, MR. ROSKAM, MR. SHAYS, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MR. LATOURETTE, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. CASTLE, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. HELLER, MR. SESSIONS, MR. LUCAS, MR. DAVIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. BONNER, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. LATHAM, MR. TURNER, MR. CHABOT, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. KIRK, MR. TERRY, MR. MANZULLO, MR. BOOZMAN, AND MR. CARTER; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON, MRS. DRAKE, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. DREIER, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. KING OF NEW YORK; (ADDED APR. 24, 2008), MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. CONAWAY; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MRS. BONO MACK; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. FORTUNO, MR. SOUDER, AND MRS. MUSGRAVE; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. WAMP, MR. DENT, MR. SIMPSON, AND MR. JOHNSON OF ILLINOIS; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. FRELINGHUYSEN; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. DANIEL E. LUNGREN OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. CRENSHAW; (ADDED MAY 16, 2008), MR. TIAHRT; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. FORBES; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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.

*Homeownership Protection and Housing
Market Stabilization Act of 2008*

Apr. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary.
Apr. 25, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5888

Apr. 24, 2008

MR. FILNER

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.

Apr. 24, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 24, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 5, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 5892

Apr. 24, 2008

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. DONNELLY, MR. RODRIGUEZ, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), MRS. GILLIBRAND; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. SALAZAR, MR. CUELLAR, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. ENGEL, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. TIERNEY, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. HINCHEY, MR. ARCURI, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. HARE, MR. KENNEDY, MRS. LOWEY, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. CROWLEY, MR. SERRANO, MR. MURTHA, MS. SUTTON, MR. GRIJALVA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. ALTMIRE; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. KAGEN, AND MR. GOODE; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. DEFazio; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, MRS. NAPOLITANO, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. FALCOMA, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. ALLEN, AND MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. GORDON, MR. McINTYRE, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. GERLACH; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. FOSTER; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MS. BEAN; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. WEXLER, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2008), MR. KILDEE, AND MR. CLAY; (ADDED JULY 9, 2008), MR. COSTELLO, MR. GOODLATTE, MS. WOOLSEY, AND MR. WEINER; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. HINOJOSA; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. ROSS; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. MITCHELL, MR. HODES, AND MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. LAMBORN, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. MCGOVERN, MR. BACA, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. JEFFERSON, MR. CONYERS, MR. RANGEL, MR. CUMMINGS, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. KILPATRICK, AND MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN

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.

*Veterans Disability Benefits Claims
Modernization Act of 2008*

Apr. 24, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 24, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Apr. 24, 2008—Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote. H.R. 5709 and provisions of H.R. 1490 are included in the bill.

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Apr. 30, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported by voice vote.
Jul. 29, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 789.
Jul. 29, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 507.
Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended).
Jul. 30, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 429-0 (Roll No. 538).
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 5939

May 1, 2008

MR. CARSON

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.

*Montgomery GI Bill Degree
Extension Act of 2008*

May 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
May 5, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5944

May 1, 2008

MR. PUTNAM (FOR HIMSELF), MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MRS. DRAKE, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MR. GERLACH, AND MR. FRELINGHUYSEN; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MS. GRANGER, MR. LEWIS OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. BURGESS, AND MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. MCKEON, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. AKIN, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. KELLER, AND MR. MANZULLO; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. TERRY, AND MR. KINGSTON; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. GOODLATTE, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MRS. BACHMANN, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK

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.

*Enhancement of Recruitment, Retention,
and Readjustment Through Education Act of 2008*

May 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 5, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 5947

May 1, 2008

MR. KING OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. REYNOLDS, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.

Returning Soldiers' Bill of Rights Act

May 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 9, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 5954

May 1, 2008

MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. REHBERG; (ADDED MAY 5, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. DEFazio, MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. TAYLOR; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. VAN HOLLEN, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. POMEROY, MS. WATSON, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. DICKS, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. REYES, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. KUCINICH, MS. MATSUI, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. RAHALL, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. PAUL, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. MICHAUD, MR. BLUMENAUER, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. SPACE, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MRS. CAPPS, MS. DEGETTE, MS. ESHOO, MR. INSLEE, MR. MATHESON, MR. MURTHA, MR. TANNER, AND MR. WU; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. COSTELLO; (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. SIMPSON; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. PUTNAM, AND MR. GERLACH; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2008), MR. HOLT; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. HARE, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. COHEN, MR. DOYLE, AND MR. LANGEVIN; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. HODES; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. MITCHELL, AND MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. ALLEN, AND MR. FORTUNO; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. CAZAYOUX; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED SEPT. 11, 2008), MS. ROS-LEHTINEN; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED SEPT. 29, 2008), MS. BORDALLO

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.

May 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
 May 9, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 5985

May 7, 2008

MR. BRALEY OF IOWA

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.

Compensation for Combat Veterans Act

May 7, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 9, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 6032

May 13, 2008

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 11, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. ROTHMAN, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF UTAH; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MR. WEXLER

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.

May 13, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 May 16, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
 Jun. 12, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6048

May 14, 2008

MR. TURNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED MAY 15, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF UTAH, MR. FORBES, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. CANNON, MR. PEARCE, MR. REICHERT, MR. HAYES, MS. FALLIN, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. SALI, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. LATTA, MR. GINGREY, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. SAXTON, MR. AKIN, MR. COBLE, MR. HENSARLING, MR. LUCAS, MS. FOXX, MR. MCKEON, MRS. DRAKE, MR. SHUSTER, MR. LAMBORN, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. LOBIONDO, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. SULLIVAN, MR. DAVIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. CONAWAY, MR. HOBSON, MR. CHABOT, MR. HUNTER, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. FORTENBERRY, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. LATOURETTE, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. EVERETT, MR. BONNER, MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. MCHUGH, MR. HERGER, MR. CARTER, AND MR. POE; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MR. SHADEGG, AND MR. SOUDER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. SKELTON

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.

May 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 16, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

May 22, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3001, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009. P.L. 110-417.

H.R. 6070

May 15, 2008

MR. CARTER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BURGESS, MR. CONAWAY, MR. PEARCE, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. KUCINICH, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MR. FERGUSON, MR. MCHUGH, MR. MCCRERY, MR. MCCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA, MR. DENT, MR. REHBERG, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. LATTA, MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. TERRY, MR. PUTNAM, MR. GINGREY, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MR. CULBERSON, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. SIRES, MR. HOLT, MR. KENNEDY, MR. CANTOR, MR. DREIER, MR. BOEHNER, MR. BLUNT, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. BRADY OF TEXAS, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MRS. BLACKBURN, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. GRANGER, MR. SULLIVAN, MR. EDWARDS, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. MARSHALL, MR. CUELLAR, MR. POE, MR. HINOJOSA, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. ROSS, MR. MICA, MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA, MR. COBLE, MS. FOXX, MR. TURNER, MR. HENSARLING, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MR. SHUSTER, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, MR. KINGSTON, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MS. ROS-LEHTINEN, MR. RANGEL, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, AND MRS. MYRICK; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. BILBRAY, AND MR. HAYES; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. CAZAYOUX, MR. SCALISE, AND MR. MCINTYRE

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

Military Spouses Residency Relief Act

May 15, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 16, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.

Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6225, as amended.

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H.R. 6075

May 15, 2008

MR. KENNEDY (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALLEN, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. MARKEY, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, AND MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN; (ADDED MAY 19, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, MR. COURTNEY, AND MR. CARSON; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MR. KAGEN, AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN

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

National Guard and Reserve Mental Health Access Act of 2008

May 15, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 16, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6114

May 21, 2008

MR. DOYLE (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. DENT; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. MICHAUD

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

Simplifying and Updating National Standards to Encourage Testing of the Human Immunodeficiency Virus of 2008

May 21, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 23, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 5, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee, en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.
Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6445, as amended.

H.R. 6122

May 21, 2008

MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. ELLISON, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MRS. CAPPS, MR. HINCHEY, MR. MICHAUD, MR. KAGEN, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. ANDREWS, MR. HARE, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MR. RAMSTAD; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. HINOJOSA, AND MS. SUTTON; (ADDED JUNE 4, 2008), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 12, 2008), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. McNULTY; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MR. SIREs; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. ETHERIDGE, AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. STUPAK; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. ROTHMAN; (ADDED SEPT. 23, 2008), MR. SESTAK

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.

Veterans Pain Care Act of 2008

May 21, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 23, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Jun. 5, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.
Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee, en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.
Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6445, as amended.

H.R. 6153

May 22, 2008

MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS (FOR HERSELF), MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MRS. CAPPS, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, AND MR. BURGESS; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. ORTIZ; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. HARE

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.

Veterans' Medical Personnel Recruitment and Retention Act of 2008

May 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
May 23, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Sep. 9, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

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H.R. 6221

June 10, 2008

MR. BOOZMAN (FOR HIMSELF) AND MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. BUYER; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MS. BORDALLO

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.

Veteran-Owned Small Business Protection and Clarification Act of 2008

- Jun. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
- Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote. Provisions of H.R. 6224 and H.R. 6272 are included in H.R. 6221.
- Jul. 29, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-785.
- Jul. 29, 2008—Placed on Union Calendar, Calendar No. 504.
- Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended).
- Jul. 31, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 6224

June 10, 2008

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA

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.

Pilot College Work Study Programs for Veterans Act of 2008

- Jun. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
- Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions are included in H.R. 6221, as amended.

H.R. 6225

June 10, 2008

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MR. BUYER

To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer.

Injunctive Relief for Veterans Act of 2008

- Jun. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.
- Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote. Provisions of H.R. 2910, H.R. 3298, H.R. 6070 are included in H.R. 6225.
- Jul. 28, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110-778.
- Jul. 28, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 497.
- Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended).
- Jul. 31, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.
- Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 6236

June 11, 2008

MR. CHABOT (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LAMBORN, MR. JORDAN, MR. HOBSON, AND MR. TURNER; (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MS. PRYCE OF OHIO, AND MR. REGULA

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.

Veterans Disability Benefits Claims Modernization Act of 2008

- Jun. 11, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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H.R. 6268

June 12, 2008

MR. UDALL OF COLORADO (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. PERLMUTTER, AND MS. DEGETTE; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. HAYES, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. BUTTERFIELD, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. GRIJALVA, AND MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED JULY 31, 2008), MRS. EMERSON; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2008), MRS. LOWEY; (ADDED SEPT. 11, 2008), MR. FILNER, AND MR. STARK; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA

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.

*Honoring Our Nation's Obligation to
Returning Warriors Act (HONOR Warriors Act)*

Jun. 12, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Ways and Means.

Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6272

June 12, 2008

MR. WELCH OF VERMONT (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2008), MR. KING OF NEW YORK

To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.

SMOCTA Reauthorization Act of 2008

Jun. 12, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs and Education and Labor.

Jun. 13, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 19, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Jun. 26, 2008—Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Markup. Reported to the Full Committee by voice vote.

Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions are included in H.R. 6221, as amended.

H.R. 6277

June 17, 2008

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MRS. EMERSON

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.

*Veterans and Survivors Dental
Insurance Act of 2008*

Jun. 17, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 20, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6287

June 17, 2008

MR. SOUDER (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. ELLSWORTH; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. DONNELLY; (ADDED JUNE 25, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, AND MRS. GILLIBRAND; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. FOSTER, AND MR. HODES; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. HILL; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA

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.

Veterans Travel Equity Act of 2008

Jun. 17, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 20, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6366

June 25, 2008

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MICHAUD, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. SALAZAR

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.

Veterans Revenue Enhancement Act of 2008

Jun. 25, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jun. 27, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee, en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.

Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6445, as amended.

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H.R. 6397

June 26, 2008

MR. HENSARLING (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. SALI

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.

Veterans Education Improvement Act of 2008

Jun. 26, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Education and Labor, Oversight and Government Reform, Energy and Commerce, Science and Technology, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Natural Resources.

Jun. 27, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 6414

June 26, 2008

MR. PALLONE (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. ROTHMAN

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.

Veterans Advocacy Act of 2008

Jun. 26, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Jun. 27, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 6430

July 8, 2008

MR. BUYER

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

Veterans Health Scholarship Act of 2008

Jul. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6431

July 8, 2008

MR. BUYER

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

*Department of Veterans Affairs
Electronic Reporting Act of 2008*

Jul. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 10, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 6439

July 8, 2008

MR. HARE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. FILNER, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MS. BERKLEY, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA, AND MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED JULY 16, 2008), MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, AND MR. SPACE; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MS. SUTTON, AND MRS. NAPOLITANO; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. DELAHUNT; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, AND MR. CUELLAR; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. SALAZAR, AND MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA

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.

*Mental Health for Heroes'
Families Act of 2008*

Jul. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee, en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.

Jul. 16, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6445, as amended.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6445

July 9, 2008

MR. CAZAYOUX (FOR HIMSELF), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. FILNER, MR. HARE, AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. SALAZAR; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. SPACE; (ADDED JULY 24, 2008), MR. BUYER; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MS. BORDALLO

To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled.

Jul. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Jul. 10, 2008—Subcommittee on Health Markup. Reported to the Full Committee, en bloc, by unanimous voice vote.
 Jul. 16, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote. Provisions of H.R. 6114, H.R. 6122, H.R. 6366, and H.R. 6439 are included in H.R. 6445.
 Jul. 29, 2008—Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs H.Rept. 110- 786.
 Jul. 29, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 505.
 Jul. 29, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
 Jul. 30, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 421-0 (Roll No. 541).
 Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 6465

July 10, 2008

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MR. MITCHELL

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.

Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 6471

July 10, 2008

MR. FILNER

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.

*Expanding Availability of
 VA Health Care Act of 2008*

Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6494

July 15, 2008

MRS. GILLIBRAND (FOR HERSELF), MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, AND MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MS. GIFFORDS, MR. HINCHEY, AND MR. SERRANO

To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.

*Providing Real Outreach for Veterans Act
 of 2008 or PRO-VETS Act of 2008*

Jul. 15, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
 Jul. 21, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 6511

July 16, 2008

MR. TANCREDO (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. LAMBORN; (ADDED JULY 23, 2008), MS. DEGETTE, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, AND MR. SALAZAR

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".

Jul. 16, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jul. 21, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 6516

July 16, 2008

MR. ABERCROMBIE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MS. HIRONO; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. FALCOMA

To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in non-foreign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

*Non-Foreign Area Retirement Equity Assurance
 Act of 2008 or Non-Foreign Area Act of 2008*

Jul. 16, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Jul. 21, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6543

July 17, 2008

MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA

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.

Jul. 17, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 21, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 6562

July 22, 2008

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. SESTAK, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MRS. GILLIBRAND, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MS. BORDALLO, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. REHBERG, AND MR. HINCHEY; (ADDED SEPT. 9, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. KAGEN, MR. MICHAUD, MR. PLATTS, MR. STUPAK, MR. TANCREDO, MR. GRAVES, MR. ALLEN, MR. PASTOR, MR. THORNBERRY, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. ORTIZ, AND MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2008), MS. GIFFORDS; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2008), MR. McCOTTER, AND MR. MITCHELL; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MR. McNERNEY

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

Agent Orange Equity Act of 2008

Jul. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 25, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 6580

July 23, 2008

MR. KIND (FOR HIMSELF), MR. NUNES, MR. COSTA, MR. McNERNEY, MR. RADANOVICH, MR. CARDOZA, MR. McCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. WILSON OF OHIO

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.

Hubbard Act

Jul. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, Ways and Means, and Oversight and Government Reform.

Jul. 25, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Jul. 25, 2008—Sent notice to the Committee on Armed Services waiving consideration of the bill.

Jul. 29, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by voice vote.

Aug. 1, 2008—Passed the Senate by Unanimous Consent.

Aug. 29, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-317.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6625

July 29, 2008

MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF), MS. WATSON, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MS. KAPTUR, MR. GONZALEZ, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MS. BERKLEY, MR. HINCHEY, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. CUMMINGS, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. FILNER, MR. FARR, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. FOSTER, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. CAPUANO, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. BOUCHER, MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA, MR. SERRANO, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MRS. CAPPS, MR. UDALL OF COLORADO, MR. ALLEN, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. BOSWELL, MS. SLAUGHTER, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. HOLT, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, AND MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MS. SOLIS, MR. LEVIN, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON, MS. BEAN, MRS. LOWEY, MR. MARSHALL, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. PASTOR, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. WAXMAN, MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. DOGGETT, MR. ELLISON, AND MR. YARMUTH

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.

Veteran Voting Support Act

Jul. 29, 2008—Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Aug. 1, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
 Sep. 4, 2008—Sent letter to the Committee on House Administration waiving consideration of the bill.
 Sep. 11, 2008—Received letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs providing the views of the Department on the bill. The Department believes the legislation is duplicative of policies already in place.
 Sep. 15, 2008—Reported (amended) by the Committee on House Administration H.Rept. 110-851, Part I.
 Sep. 15, 2008—Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged.
 Sep. 15, 2008—Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 552.
 Sep. 17, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by voice vote.

H.R. 6629

July 29, 2008

MS. SHEA-PORTER (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. HODES

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.

Veterans Health Equity Act of 2008

Jul. 29, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
 Sep. 9, 2008—Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6695

July 31, 2008

MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. COURTNEY, MS. BORDALLO, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. HAYES, MR. HILL, MR. KAGEN, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. SPACE, MS. SUTTON, AND MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, AND MR. BARTON OF TEXAS; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN

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.

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6699

July 31, 2008

MR. LATHAM

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.

Health Security for All Americans Act of 2008

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, Ways and Means, Veterans' Affairs, and Armed Services.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6711

July 31, 2008

MR. HENSARLING

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.

Veterans Community Health Enhancement Act of 2008

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6712

July 31, 2008

MR. HENSARLING

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.

America's Commitment to Veterans Act of 2008

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary and Energy and Commerce.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6731

July 31, 2008

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BUYER, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. GRIJALVA

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.

*Department of Veterans Affairs
Loan Extension Act of 2008*

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Aug. 1, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended.

H.R. 6732

July 31, 2008

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. HINCHEY, MR. FILNER, MR. ELLISON, MR. HARE, MR. COURTNEY, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. ALLEN, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. DONNELLY, AND MR. RODRIGUEZ

To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of "combat with the enemy" for purposes of service-connection of disabilities.

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 6764

July 31, 2008

MS. TSONGAS (FOR HERSELF), MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA

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.

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6765

July 31, 2008

MS. TSONGAS (FOR HERSELF), MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA

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.

Jul. 31, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6792

Aug. 1, 2008

MS. HERSETH SANDLIN (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED SEPT. 9, 2008), MR. HARE, MR. HINOJOSA, AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED SEPT. 17, 2008), MR. SESTAK; (ADDED SEPT. 23, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED SEPT. 29, 2008), MRS. LOWEY, AND MR. CARNAHAN

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.

*Veterans Physical Therapy
Services Improvement Act of 2008*

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6798

Aug. 1, 2008

MR. KAGEN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. McDERMOTT, AND MR. BACA; (ADDED SEPT. 8, 2008), MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED SEPT. 9, 2008), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, AND MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA; (ADDED SEPT. 10, 2008), MR. McINTYRE; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2008), MR. HOLT

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.

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 12, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 6802

Aug. 1, 2008

MR. BUYER

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.

Veterans' Authorities Extension Act of 2008

Aug. 1, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 9, 2008—Provisions included in H.R. 6832.
Sep. 12, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 6832

Sept. 8, 2008

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BUYER; (ADDED SEPT. 9, 2008), MR. PORTER

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.

*Veterans' Programs Extension and
Construction Authorization Act of 2008*

Sep. 8, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 8, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Sep. 9, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
Sep. 11, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill without objection.
Sep. 24, 2008—Provisions included in S. 3023, as amended and S. 2162, as amended.

H.R. 6850

Sept. 9, 2008

MR. FORTENBERRY (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. SHULER, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

*Veterans Entrepreneurial Transition
Business Benefit Act*

Sep. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 12, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6897 **Sept. 15, 2008**

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MR. ROHRBACHER

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain payments to eligible persons who served in the Philippines during World War II.

Filipino Veterans Equity Act of 2008

Sep. 15, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Sep. 15, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
 Sep. 17, 2008—Full Committee Markup. Ordered reported (amended) by voice vote.
 Sep. 22, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, (amended).
 Sep. 23, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 392-23 (Roll No. 624).

H.R. 6937 **Sept. 18, 2008**

MR. BUYER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MICHAUD, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. LAMBORN, MR. SALAZAR, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MR. BLUMENAUER; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), MRS. LOWEY, AND MS. SUTTON

To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

*Department of Veterans Affairs
 Energy Sustainability Act of 2008*

Sep. 18, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Science and Technology.
 Sep. 19, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 6939 **Sept. 18, 2008**

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. MICHAUD, MR. HARE, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED SEPT. 22, 2008), MR. LOEBSACK; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2008), MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2008), MR. GOODE, AND MR. BOSWELL; (ADDED OCT. 3, 2008), MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED NOV. 19, 2008), MR. COHEN, AND MR. KAGEN

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.

Sep. 18, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Sep. 19, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 6945 **Sept. 18, 2008**

MR. SCALISE

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

*RECOVER Act (Restoring Essential Care
 for Our Veterans for Effective Recovery)*

Sep. 18, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Sep. 19, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 6980 **Sept. 22, 2008**

MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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.

Sep. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Sep. 26, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
 Sep. 24, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by voice vote.

H.R. 6989 **Sept. 22, 2008**

MR. ISRAEL

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.

Sep. 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
 Sep. 26, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 6996 Sept. 23, 2008

MR. DUNCAN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. COOPER, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. GORDON, MR. WAMP, MRS. BLACKBURN, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. TANNER, AND MR. COHEN

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Sep. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 26, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 6998 Sept. 23, 2008

MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA

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.

Veterans Mental Health Training for First Responders and Community Leaders Act of 2008

Sep. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 26, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 7003 Sept. 23, 2008

MR. DOGGETT (FOR HIMSELF), MR. EDWARDS OF TEXAS, MR. FILNER, MR. GONZALEZ, MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. GRIJALVA, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. ORTIZ, MR. REYES, AND MS. SCHAKOWSKY; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK

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.

Wounded Veteran Job Security Act

Sep. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 26, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R. 7046 Sept. 24, 2008

MR. FARR

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct a new community-based outpatient clinic at Ord Military Community, California.

Sep. 24, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 26, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 7108 Sept. 25, 2008

MR. STUPAK

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".

Sep. 25, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Sep. 26, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H.R. 7167 Sept. 26, 2008

MR. SESTAK

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.

Expanding Availability of VA Health Care Act of 2008

Sep. 26, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 3, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 7178 Sept. 27, 2008

MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA

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.

Servicemembers Access to Justice Act of 2008

Sep. 27, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Oct. 3, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

HOUSE BILLS

H.R. 7214

Sept. 28, 2008

MS. WATERS

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.

*Veterans Combat Stress
Healthcare Improvement Act*

Sep. 28, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Oct. 3, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 7299

Nov. 20, 2008

MR. CANNON (FOR HIMSELF) AND MRS. NAPOLITANO

To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Nov. 20, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Nov. 21, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

H.R. 7317

Dec. 9, 2008

MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

Dec. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Dec. 12, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

H.R. 7318

Dec. 9, 2008

MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

Dec. 9, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Dec. 12, 2008—Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 237

Mar. 12, 2007

MR. BACA (FOR HIMSELF), MS. KAPTUR, MR. MELANCON, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. KILPATRICK, MS. BORDALLO, MR. MARSHALL, MR. BERMAN, MRS. JONES OF OHIO, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. BARROW, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. MITCHELL, MR. CARNAHAN, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA, MR. SPACE, MR. FILNER, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. FATTAH, AND MR. MCGOVERN; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MS. CARSON, AND MR. WELCH OF VERMONT; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. GRIJALVA; (ADDED SEPT. 18, 2007), MS. SUTTON; (ADDED SEPT. 24, 2007), MR. KENNEDY; (ADDED SEPT. 25, 2007), MR. BURTON OF INDIANA; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. SCHIFF; (ADDED OCT. 2, 2007), MR. COHEN, AND MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED OCT. 4, 2007), MR. FALEOMAVAEGA; (ADDED OCT. 9, 2007), MR. ELLISON, MS. HOOLEY, AND MS. BERKLEY; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED OCT. 15, 2007), MR. BOSWELL, AND MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MRS. TAUSCHER; (ADDED OCT. 18, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. LAMBORN, AND MR. ALTMIRE

Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

Mar. 12, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 16, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Oct. 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by unanimous voice vote.

H. Res. 367

May 2, 2007

MR. SALI

Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

May 2, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources and Veterans' Affairs.

May 4, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H. Res. 392

May 10, 2007

MR. LAMBORN

Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers.

May 10, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 11, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

May 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by unanimous voice vote.

H. Res. 656

Sept. 17, 2007

MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. SHULER, AND MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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.

Sept. 17, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Sept. 21, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 680

Sept. 25, 2007

MR. CARTER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, MR. CALVERT, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MRS. JO ANN DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. SESSIONS, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. FEENEY, MR. SOUDER, MR. KAGEN, MR. BRADY OF TEXAS, MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MR. KING OF IOWA, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. LAMBORN, MR. PEARCE, MR. GINGREY, MR. TANCREDO, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. THORNBERRY, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MS. GRANGER, MR. LEWIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. PORTER, MR. GERLACH, MR. MCHENRY, MR. SMITH OF NEW JERSEY, MR. TERRY, MR. CANNON, MR. WOLF, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. FERGUSON, MR. GENE GREEN OF TEXAS, MR. WALDEN OF OREGON, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. DENT, MR. ADERHOLT, MR. INGLIS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. HOEKSTRA, MR. KING OF NEW YORK, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. WALSH OF NEW YORK, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MRS. BLACKBURN, MR. WICKER, MR. PUTNAM, MR. RENZI, MS. FALLIN, MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, MR. REHBERG, MR. DAVIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. BOUSTANY, MR. HENSARLING, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. CULBERSON, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BONNER, MR. ISSA, MR. SHADEGG, MR. EDWARDS, MR. DONNELLY, MR. GOHMERT, MR. EHLERS, MRS. DRAKE, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. CONAWAY, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. SHAYS, MRS. SCHMIDT, MR. BURGESS, MR. BOEHNER, MR. MICA, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. CANTOR, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. TIBERI, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. FRELINGHUYSEN, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. MCKEON, MR. PENCE, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. SAM JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. REYES, MS. FOXX, MR. UPTON, MR. WAMP, AND MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2007), MR. HAYES, MR. BOSWELL, MR. LATHAM, MR. PITTS, AND MR. DEFazio; (ADDED SEPT. 27, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MR. TOWNS, MR. FORBES, MR. GORDON, AND MR. ALEXANDER; (ADDED OCT. 1, 2007), MR. MCCOTTER, MR. POE, MR. MARSHALL, MR. SHIMKUS, AND MR. BUYER; (ADDED OCT. 10, 2007), MR. ALTMIRE, MR. COBLE, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED OCT. 16, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MR. KNOLLENBERG

Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

Sep. 25, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Oct. 1, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Oct. 23, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 418-0 (Roll No. 989).

H. Res. 744

Oct. 15, 2007

MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO (FOR HERSELF) AND MS. HERSETH SANDLIN; (ADDED OCT. 17, 2007), MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. SHULER, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. RENZI, AND MR. SCHIFF; (ADDED OCT. 22, 2007), MR. HINCHEY, MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO, MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. WU; (ADDED OCT. 30, 2007), MR. KAGEN; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. FILNER

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.

Oct. 15, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Oct. 19, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Nov. 5, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required) 351-0 (Roll No. 1036).

H. Res. 770

Oct. 23, 2007

MR. PORTER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BOEHNER, MR. HOYER, MR. KIND, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED OCT. 29, 2007), MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. KNOLLENBERG, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MRS. EMERSON, MRS. CAPPS, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. DREIER, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. LEVIN, AND MR. SKELTON; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MS. GRANGER, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. MCINTYRE; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY; (ADDED NOV. 5, 2007), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, AND MR. GILCHREST

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.

Oct. 23, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Oct. 26, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Nov. 5, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by voice vote.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 783

Oct. 30, 2007

MR. LATOURETTE (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. CALVERT; (ADDED OCT. 31, 2007), MR. CHABOT, MR. COBLE, MR. KNOLLENBERG, MR. SHULER, MR. PORTER, MR. ISSA, MR. CANNON, MR. HAYES, MR. GERLACH, MR. STEARNS; MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. CONAWAY, MR. SULLIVAN, MR. SOUDER, MR. CARNEY, MS. FOXX, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. KINGSTON, AND MR. HENSARLING; (ADDED NOV. 1, 2007), MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. BILBRAY, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. TOM DAVIS OF VIRGINIA, MR. WOLF, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, MR. PLATTS, MR. BURTON OF INDIANA, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. RADANOVICH, MR. LUCAS, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. GOHMERT, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. CARTER, MR. TIBERI, MR. ROSKAM, MRS. BONO MACK, MR. ROYCE, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. MCHENRY, MR. SENSENBRENNER, MRS. DRAKE, AND MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED NOV. 6, 2007), MR. FORTENBERRY, MR. GINGREY, MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. TURNER, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. LEWIS OF KENTUCKY, MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MR. NEUGEBAUER, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. ALEXANDER, AND MR. PICKERING; (ADDED NOV. 7, 2007), MR. BACHUS, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. PEARCE, MR. LAMBORN, AND MR. LEWIS OF CALIFORNIA; (ADDED NOV. 9, 2007), MR. POE; (ADDED NOV. 14, 2007), MR. GOODLATTE, MR. FORBES, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, AND MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA; (ADDED NOV. 15, 2007), MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY; (ADDED DEC. 4, 2007), MR. SPRATT, AND MR. GILCHREST; (ADDED DEC. 5, 2007), MR. BARRETT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. LINDER; (ADDED DEC. 13, 2007), MR. SAM JOHNSON OF TEXAS; (ADDED DEC. 18, 2007), MR. WALDEN OF OREGON; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2008), MR. ADERHOLT; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. ELLSWORTH

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.

Oct. 3, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 2, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

H. Res. 790

Nov. 1, 2007

MR. BAIRD (FOR HIMSELF), MR. DICKS, MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON, MR. INSLEE, MR. LARSEN OF WASHINGTON, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. REICHERT, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, AND MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON

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.

Nov. 1, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Nov. 2, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Feb. 14, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required) 383-0 (Roll No. 66).

H. Res. 946

Jan. 29, 2008

MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. ARCURI; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2008), MR. MCHUGH

Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.

Jan. 29, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Feb. 1, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H. Res. 963

Feb. 7, 2008

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. EDWARDS, MR. ORTIZ, MS. BORDALLO, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MS. SUTTON, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. HOLDEN, MR. TOWNS, MR. CARNEY, MR. HINCHEY, MR. HINOJOSA, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MR. CUELLAR, MR. REYES, MR. MITCHELL, MR. GUTIERREZ, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. HODES, MR. SERRANO, MR. COSTA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. BACA, MR. GONZALEZ, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MR. COHEN

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

Feb. 7, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Feb. 8, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Feb. 14, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required) 384-0 (Roll No. 67).

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 1054

Mar. 14, 2008

MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA (FOR HERSELF), MS. FALLIN, MS. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MS. HARMAN, MRS. CAPPS, MS. NORTON, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. ORTIZ, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MS. BORDALLO, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MRS. TAUSCHER, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. SNYDER, MR. LOBIONDO, MS. TSONGAS, MR. LOEBSACK, MS. DELAURO, MS. MATSUI, MS. GIFFORDS, MS. CASTOR, MRS. DRAKE, AND MRS. McMORRIS RODGERS; (ADDED MAR. 31, 2008), MR. SKELTON, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. FILNER, MS. SUTTON, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MS. KAPTUR, AND MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA; (ADDED APR. 1, 2008), MS. BERKLEY, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MS. SCHWARTZ, AND MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK; (ADDED APR. 9, 2008), MR. CARNAHAN, MS. HIRONO, AND MR. HARE; (ADDED APR. 17, 2008), MRS. BIGGERT; (ADDED APR. 23, 2008), MR. COURTNEY; (ADDED APR. 30, 2008), MR. GONZALEZ

Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

Mar. 14, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 21, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

May 20, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by unanimous voice vote.

H. Res. 1098

Apr. 10, 2008

MR. FILNER (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BILIRAKIS

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran.

Apr. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 11, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Jun. 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 409-0 (Roll No. 470).

H. Res. 1220

May 22, 2008

MR. UDALL OF NEW MEXICO

Honoring the lives of Dr. Victor Westphall and Mrs. Jeanne Westphall and their contributions to the Nation's veterans.

May 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources.

May 23, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

H. Res. 1231

May 22, 2008

MR. SHULER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. SESTAK, MR. ROHRABACHER, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. HINCHEY, MR. DREIER, MS. BORDALLO, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. FILNER, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, AND MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MS. SUTTON, MR. TOWNS, MR. ALTMIRE, AND MR. DONNELLY; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2008), MR. COBLE, MR. KILDEE, MR. BOSWELL, MR. FEENEY, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. HOLDEN, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. SCHIFF, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. COHEN, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MRS. MYRICK, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. MELANCON, MR. ARCURI, MR. KIND, MR. BACA, MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. MORAN OF KANSAS, MR. TANNER, MR. MCINTYRE, MS. BERKLEY, MRS. LOWEY, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. SNYDER, MR. CHANDLER, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MRS. GILLIBRAND, MR. BILBRAY, MR. WELCH OF VERMONT, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, AND MR. ROSS; (ADDED JUNE 20, 2008), MR. BUYER, MR. HIGGINS, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. MITCHELL, MR. LAMBORN, MR. SOUDER, AND MR. CARDOZA; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BOREN, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. AL GREEN OF TEXAS

Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

May 22, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 23, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Jun 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by unanimous voice vote.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 1235

June 3, 2008

MR. SCALISE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MR. BOUSTANY, MR. ALEXANDER, MR. MCCRERY, MR. BUYER, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. LAMBORN, MR. LATTA, MR. SHIMKUS, MR. BONNER, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. MARCHANT, MRS. DRAKE, AND MR. STEARNS; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA, AND MR. JEFFERSON

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.

Jun. 3, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 4, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Jun. 11, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 406-0 (Roll No. 402).

H. Res. 1287

June 19, 2008

MR. MORAN OF KANSAS (FOR HIMSELF), MR. HOBSON, AND MR. SHULER; (ADDED JUNE 24, 2008), MR. SPACE, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MR. CHABOT, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MICHAUD; (ADDED JUNE 26, 2008), MR. SESTAK, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, MR. BOUSTANY, AND MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JULY 8, 2008), MR. BOOZMAN; (ADDED JULY 10, 2008), Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. SKELTON, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, AND MR. CAZAYOUX; (ADDED JULY 14, 2008), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. POE, AND Ms. KAPTUR; (ADDED JULY 15, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. DUNCAN, AND MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JULY 17, 2008), MR. SHAYS, MR. BACHUS, AND MR. COBLE; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. TERRY; (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. BARTLETT OF MARYLAND, AND MRS. EMERSON

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.

Jun. 19, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 20, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Sep. 22, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by voice vote.

H. Res. 1291

June 20, 2008

MR. RODRIGUEZ (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. ORTIZ; (ADDED JUNE 23, 2008), MR. BECERRA, MR. BACA, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. SALAZAR, AND MR. REYES

Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

Jun. 20, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 20, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Jun. 26, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 421-0 (Roll No. 464).

H. Res. 1295

June 23, 2008

MS. SCHAKOWSKY (FOR HERSELF) AND MS. FALLIN

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.

Jun. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.
Jun. 27, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

H. Res. 1335

July 10, 2008

MR. HODES (FOR HIMSELF), MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MR. RODRIGUEZ, MR. COHEN, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. FORTUNO, MR. LATHAM, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, MR. EHLERS, MR. OLVER, MS. KAPTUR, MR. PORTER, MR. REYES, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. DICKS, MR. KANJORSKI, MR. MICHAUD, MR. GERLACH, MR. CAZAYOUX, MR. LOBIONDO, AND MR. ETHERIDGE; (ADDED JULY 22, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. HULSHOF, MR. HARE, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. HIRONO, AND MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. ROSS, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. ALLEN, MR. WAXMAN, MR. GOODLATTE, MR. ROGERS OF KENTUCKY, MR. CLAY, MR. MURTHA, AND MR. SPRATT; (ADDED SEPT. 11, 2008), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED SEPT. 15, 2008), MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY, AND MR. BOREN; (ADDED SEPT. 16, 2008), MR. SHAYS, AND MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA

Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

Jul. 10, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 11, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Sep. 17, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 411-0 (Roll No. 602).

H. Res. 1366

July 23, 2008

MR. KNOLLENBERG (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED JULY 29, 2008), MR. UPTON; (ADDED JULY 30, 2008), MR. SPRATT

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.

Jul. 23, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Jul. 25, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

H. Con. Res. 5

Jan. 4, 2007

MR. HOLT (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA; (ADDED JAN. 16, 2007), MR. CUMMINGS, MS. BORDALLO, MR. SNYDER, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, AND MS. WOOLSEY; (ADDED JAN. 22, 2007), MR. COHEN, AND MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED JAN. 29, 2007), MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. KUCINICH, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. ORTIZ, MR. BOOZMAN, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. HARE, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, AND MR. BACA

Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.

Jan. 4, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services.

Jan. 5, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Jan. 31, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 411-0 (Roll No. 73).

H. Con. Res. 60

Feb. 7, 2007

MR. PALLONE (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MS. BORDALLO, AND MR. MCCOTTER; (ADDED MAR. 1, 2007), MRS. McMORRIS RODGERS, MRS. CHRISTENSEN, MS. PRYCE OF OHIO, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. FORTENBERRY, MRS. MYRICK, MR. ROSKAM, MR. LEVIN, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 7, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MR. FILNER, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 26, 2007), MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA; (ADDED APR. 17, 2007), MR. POE

Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

Feb. 7, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

Feb. 9, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Nov. 5, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by unanimous voice vote.

H. Con. Res. 106

Mar. 29, 2007

MRS. CAPITO (FOR HERSELF), MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. BAKER, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. DOYLE, MR. PEARCE, MR. SPRATT, AND MR. WELLER; (ADDED MAY 8, 2007), MR. BILBRAY; (ADDED FEB. 7, 2008), MR. WILSON OF OHIO; (ADDED AUG. 1, 2008), MR. PLATTS

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.

Mar. 29, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mar. 30, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

H. Con. Res. 336

Apr. 29, 2008

MR. ALTMIRE (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LYNCH, MR. BOOZMAN, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED MAY 1, 2008), MR. SPACE, MR. TOWNS, MR. HINCHEY, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. HOLDEN, MS. SHEA-PORTER, MS. SUTTON, MR. HALL OF NEW YORK, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. DOYLE, MR. COHEN, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MR. McDERMOTT, MR. POE, MS. KAPTUR, MR. ALLEN, MS. BORDALLO, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. HARE, MS. BERKLEY, MR. PAYNE, MR. HINOJOSA, AND MR. CALVERT; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS, MR. SMITH OF WASHINGTON, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. KIND, MS. HIRONO, MR. EDWARDS, MR. ROTHMAN, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. KUHL OF NEW YORK, MR. SKELTON, MR. BOSWELL, MR. GRIJALVA, MR. SOUDER, AND MRS. MUSGRAVE; (ADDED MAY 8, 2008), MR. LIPINSKI, MR. DONNELLY, MS. MATSUI, MR. LOBIONDO, MR. ENGEL, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. ROSS, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. MICHAUD, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, AND MR. UDALL OF COLORADO; (ADDED MAY 13, 2008), MR. REYES, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. TANNER, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. LEVIN, MR. ROGERS OF ALABAMA, AND MR. OBERSTAR; (ADDED MAY 14, 2008), MR. LANGEVIN, MR. PORTER, AND MR. HELLER; (ADDED MAY 20, 2008), MR. HONDA, MR. MURPHY OF CONNECTICUT, MR. ABERCROMBIE, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA, MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA, MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS, MR. COURTNEY, MR. KAGEN, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, AND MR. KILDEE; (ADDED MAY 21, 2008), MRS. NAPOLITANO, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. FORBES, AND MR. SNYDER; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. MCGOVERN, MRS. DAVIS OF CALIFORNIA, MR. FILNER, MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. CARNEY, MR. PLATTS, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. FORTUNO, AND MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN; (ADDED JUNE 5, 2008), MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK, MR. KENNEDY, MR. MCCOTTER, AND MR. LATHAM; (ADDED JUNE 9, 2008), MR. HODES, MR. WEXLER, MR. MCINTYRE, MR. FORTENBERRY, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, AND MR. SCALISE; (ADDED JUNE 10, 2008), MR. WITTMAN OF VIRGINIA

Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

Apr. 29, 2008—Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

May 5, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.

Jun. 10, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 417-0 (Roll No. 396).

SENATE BILLS

S. 229

Jan. 9, 2007

MR. DOMENICI (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BINGAMAN

To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Jan. 9, 2007—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 12, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Apr. 12, 2007—Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Apr. 16, 2007—Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Apr. 23, 2007—Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Jun. 25, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

Jul. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-45.

S. 1315

May 7, 2007

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED APR. 22, 2008), MR. SALAZAR

To amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance life insurance benefits for disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

Veterans' Benefits Enhancement Act of 2008

May 7, 2008—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Aug. 29, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. S. Rept. 110-148.

Apr. 24, 2008—Passed the Senate (amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 96-0 (Vote No. 112)

Apr. 24, 2008—Received in the House, held at the desk.

Sep. 22, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill with further amendments by voice vote.

Sep. 23, 2008—Received in the Senate, held at the desk.

S. 1396

May 15, 2007

MR. ISAKSON

To authorize a major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

May 15, 2007—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Dec. 13, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 13, 2007—Passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 17, 2007—Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Dec. 18, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.

Dec. 19, 2007—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by unanimous voice vote.

Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-168.

S. 1585

June 11, 2007

MR. INHOFE (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. COBURN

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Jun. 11, 2007—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Dec. 13, 2007—Passed the Senate by Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 17, 2007—Received in the House, held at the desk.

SENATE BILLS

S. 2162

Oct. 15, 2007

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. BURR; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MS. MIKULSKI; (ADDED DEC. 3, 2007), MR. ENSIGN; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. ROCKEFELLER; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), MR. SMITH, MR. BINGAMAN, AND MRS. DOLE; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MS. COLLINS, AND MRS. CLINTON; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. SESSIONS; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. STEVENS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), MR. INHOFE

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.

*Veterans' Mental Health and Other
Care Improvements Act of 2008*

Oct. 15, 2008—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Apr. 8, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. S. Rept. 110-281.
Jun. 3, 2008—Passed the Senate (amended) by Unanimous Consent.
Jun. 4, 2008—Received in the House, referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jun. 6, 2008—Retained at Full Committee.
Sep. 24, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill with further amendments by voice vote. (Provisions of H.R. 1527, H.R. 2623, H.R. 2818, H.R. 2874, H.R. 3819, H.R. 4053, H.R. 4264, H.R. 5554, H.R. 5729, H.R. 5856, H.R. 6445, H.R. 6802, and H.R. 6832 are included in this legislation.)
Sep. 25, 2008—Received in Senate, held at desk.
Sep. 27, 2008—Senate agreed to House amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Oct. 10, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-387.

S. 2339

Nov. 13, 2007

MS. STABENOW (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. LEVIN

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

Nov. 13, 2007—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 13, 2007—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
Dec. 13, 2007—Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
Dec. 17, 2007—Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Dec. 21, 2007—Retained at Full Committee.
Sep. 17, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required): 412-0 (Roll No. 603)
Sep. 30, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-332.

S. 2617

Feb. 8, 2008

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BURR, MR. ROCKEFELLER, MRS. MURRAY, MR. OBAMA, MR. SANDERS, MR. BROWN, MR. WEBB, MR. TESTER, MR. CRAIG, AND MR. ISAKSON; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MS. STABENOW

To increase, effective as of December 1, 2008, 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.

*Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living
Adjustment Act of 2008*

Feb. 8, 2008—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
Jul. 24, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. S. Rept. 110-430.
Jul. 30, 2008—Passed the Senate (amended) by Unanimous Consent.
Jul. 31, 2008—Received in the House, held at the desk.
Sep. 9, 2008—House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
Sep. 10, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill (amended) by the Yeas and Nays (2/3 required):418-0 (Roll No. 579)
Sep. 24, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-324.

S. 3013

May 13, 2008

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. STEVENS, MR. INOUE, AND MS. MURKOWSKI

To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in non-foreign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

*Non-Foreign Area Retirement Equity
Assurance Act of 2008 or Non-Foreign
AREA Act of 2008*

May 13, 2008—Referred to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
Sep. 11, 2008—Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs reported with amendments. S. Rept. 110-456.
Oct. 1, 2008—Passed the Senate (amended) by Unanimous Consent.
Oct. 2, 2008—Received in the House. Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SENATE BILLS

S. 3023

May 15, 2008

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), MS.
SNOWE

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2008

May 15, 2008—Referred to the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Sep. 9, 2008—Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. S. Rept. 110-449.

Sep. 16, 2008—Passed the Senate (amended) by Unanimous Consent.

Sep. 17, 2008—Received in the House, held at the desk.

Sep. 24, 2008—House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill, with further amendments, by voice vote. (Provisions of H.R. 67, H.R. 674, H.R. 3298, H.R. 3681, H.R. 3889, H.R. 4255, H.R. 5664, H.R. 5892, H.R. 6221, H.R. 6225, H.R. 6731, and H.R. 6832 are included in this legislation.)

Sep. 25, 2008—Received in the Senate, held at the desk.

Sep. 27, 2008—Senate agreed to the House amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Oct. 10, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-389.

BILLS REFERRED - RETAINED IN FULL COMMITTEE

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| H. Res. 237 | Mar. 12, 2007 | H. Res. 783 | Oct. 30, 2007 |
| Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year. | | 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. | |
| H. Res. 367 | May 2, 2007 | H. Res. 790 | Nov. 1, 2007 |
| Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. | | 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. | |
| H. Res. 392 | May 10, 2007 | H. Res. 946 | Jan. 29, 2008 |
| Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers. | | Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary. | |
| H. Res. 656 | Sept. 17, 2007 | H. Res. 963 | Feb. 7, 2008 |
| 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. | | Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes. | |
| H. Res. 680 | Sept. 25, 2007 | H. Res. 1054 | Mar. 14, 2008 |
| Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial. | | Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans. | |
| H. Res. 744 | Oct. 15, 2007 | H. Res. 1098 | Apr. 10, 2008 |
| 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. | | Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran. | |
| H. Res. 770 | Oct. 23, 2007 | H. Res. 1220 | May 22, 2008 |
| 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. | | Honoring the lives of Dr. Victor Westphall and Mrs. Jeanne Westphall and their contributions to the Nation's veterans. | |
| | | H. Res. 1231 | May 22, 2008 |
| | | Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day. | |

BILLS REFERRED - RETAINED IN FULL COMMITTEE

H. Res. 1235 **June 3, 2008**

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.

H. Res. 1287 **June 19, 2008**

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.

H. Res. 1291 **June 20, 2008**

Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

H. Res. 1295 **June 23, 2008**

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.

H. Res. 1335 **July 10, 2008**

Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

H. Res. 1366 **July 23, 2008**

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.

H. Con. Res. 5 **Jan. 4, 2007**

Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.

H. Con. Res. 60 **Feb. 7, 2007**

Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

H. Con. Res. 106 **Mar. 29, 2007**

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.

H. Con. Res. 336 **Apr. 29, 2008**

Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

H.R. 1354 **Mar. 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1511 **Mar. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1538 **Mar. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1541 **Mar. 15, 2007**

To provide support and assistance for families of members of the National Guard and Reserve who are undergoing deployment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2245 **May 9, 2007**

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

H.R. 2899 **June 28, 2007**

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".

H.R. 3502 **Sept. 7, 2007**

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.

BILLS REFERRED - RETAINED IN FULL COMMITTEE

H.R. 3645 **Sept. 24, 2007**

To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

H.R. 3856 **Oct. 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4116 **Nov. 8, 2007**

To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.

H.R. 4264 **Dec. 4, 2007**

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".

H.R. 4273 **Dec. 4, 2007**

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

H.R. 4289 **Dec. 5, 2007**

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

H.R. 4367 **Dec. 11, 2007**

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

H.R. 4918 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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

H.R. 5438 **Feb. 14, 2008**

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".

H.R. 5736 **Apr. 9, 2008**

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

H.R. 5823 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6048 **May 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6431 **July 8, 2008**

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

H.R. 6511 **July 16, 2008**

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".

H.R. 6580 **July 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6625 **July 29, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6731 **July 31, 2008**

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.

BILLS REFERRED - RETAINED IN FULL COMMITTEE

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| H.R. 6802 | Aug. 1, 2008 | S. 2162 | Oct. 15, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 6832 | Sept. 8, 2008 | S. 2339 | Nov. 13, 2007 |
| 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. | | To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Alpena, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Clement C. Van Wagoner Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic". | |
| H.R. 6897 | Sept. 15, 2008 | | |
| To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain payments to eligible persons who served in the Philippines during World War II. | | | |
| H.R. 6937 | Sept. 18, 2008 | | |
| To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes. | | | |
| H.R. 6939 | Sept. 18, 2008 | | |
| 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. | | | |
| H.R. 6980 | Sept. 22, 2008 | | |
| 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. | | | |
| H.R. 6996 | Sept. 23, 2008 | | |
| To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic". | | | |
| H.R. 7108 | Sept. 25, 2008 | | |
| 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". | | | |
| S. 1396 | May 15, 2007 | | |
| To authorize a major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia. | | | |

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON DISABILITY ASSISTANCE AND MEMORIAL AFFAIRS

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| H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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. | Jan. 4, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 9, 2007 |
| 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. | Jan. 4, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 11, 2007 |
| 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. | Jan. 4, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 19, 2007 |
| H.R. 295 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado. | Jan. 5, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 24, 2007 |
| 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. | Jan. 5, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 24, 2007 |
| 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. | Jan. 9, 2007 | 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. | Jan. 29, 2007 |

BILLS REFERRED TO SUBCOMMITTEE ON
DISABILITY ASSISTANCE AND MEMORIAL AFFAIRS

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| <p>H.R. 760 Jan. 31, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 1318 Mar. 5, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 797 Feb. 5, 2007</p> <p>To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.</p> | <p>H.R. 1435 Mar. 9, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 963 Feb. 8, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 1436 Mar. 9, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 1137 Feb. 16, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 1444 Mar. 9, 2007</p> <p>To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 1197 Feb. 27, 2007</p> <p>To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.</p> | <p>H.R. 1472 Mar. 12, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 1272 Mar. 1, 2007</p> <p>To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.</p> | <p>H.R. 1490 Mar. 13, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 1273 Mar. 1, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 1660 Mar. 22, 2007</p> <p>To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 1284 Mar. 1, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 1732 Mar. 28, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |

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H.R. 1863 **Apr. 17, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct at two-year pilot program to use a mobile processing unit to perform certain services of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

H.R. 1864 **Apr. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1900 **Apr. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1901 **Apr. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2257 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2346 **May 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2434 **May 22, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2540 **May 24, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States 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.

H.R. 2551 **May 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2579 **June 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2696 **June 13, 2007**

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

H.R. 2697 **June 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2795 **June 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3008 **July 11, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.

H.R. 3047 **July 16, 2007**

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.

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H.R. 3070

July 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 3249

July 31, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3286

Aug. 1, 2007

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.

H.R. 3415

Aug. 3, 2007

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.

H.R. 3581

Sept. 19, 2007

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.

H.R. 3794

Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 3795

Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 3954

Oct. 24, 2007

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.

H.R. 4020

Oct. 31, 2007

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.

H.R. 4084

Nov. 6, 2007

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.

H.R. 4141

Nov. 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 4169

Nov. 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 4171

Nov. 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 4219

Nov. 15, 2007

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.

H.R. 4229

Nov. 15, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.

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H.R. 4274

Dec. 4, 2007

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.

H.R. 4781

Dec. 18, 2007

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.

H.R. 4931

Jan. 3, 2008

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.

H.R. 5089

Jan. 22, 2008

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.

H.R. 5148

Jan. 28, 2008

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.

H.R. 5155

Jan. 29, 2008

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.

H.R. 5448

Feb. 14, 2008

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.

H.R. 5454

Feb. 14, 2008

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.

H.R. 5509

Feb. 28, 2008

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.

H.R. 5564

Mar. 10, 2008

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.

H.R. 5576

Mar. 11, 2008

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.

H.R. 5709

Apr. 3, 2008

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.

H.R. 5826

Apr. 16, 2008

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.

H.R. 5892

Apr. 24, 2008

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.

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H.R. 5954

May 1, 2008

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.

H.R. 5985

May 7, 2008

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.

H.R. 6032

May 13, 2008

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.

H.R. 6236

June 11, 2008

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.

H.R. 6414

June 26, 2008

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.

H.R. 6562

July 22, 2008

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

H.R. 6732

July 31, 2008

To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of "combat with the enemy" for purposes of service-connection of disabilities.

H.R. 6798

Aug. 1, 2008

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.

H.R. 6989

Sept. 22, 2008

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.

H.R. 7317

Dec. 9, 2008

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

H.R. 7318

Dec. 9, 2008

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

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| H.R. 81 | Jan. 4, 2007 | H.R. 1226 | Feb. 28, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the basic educational assistance program of the Department of Veterans Affairs. | |
| H.R. 112 | Jan. 4, 2007 | H.R. 1240 | Feb. 28, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of stipends to veterans who pursue doctoral degrees in science or technology. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 513 | Jan. 17, 2007 | H.R. 1315 | Mar. 5, 2007 |
| To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member. | |
| H.R. 675 | Jan. 24, 2007 | H.R. 1370 | Mar. 7, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 1102 | Feb. 15, 2007 | H.R. 1598 | Mar. 20, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 1211 | Feb. 27, 2007 | H.R. 1632 | Mar. 21, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights. | |
| H.R. 1214 | Feb. 27, 2007 | H.R. 1641 | Mar. 22, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans. | | 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. | |

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H.R. 1702 **Mar. 26, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1750 **Mar. 28, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1824 **Mar. 29, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1969 **Apr. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2026 **Apr. 25, 2007**

To amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans.

H.R. 2239 **May 9, 2007**

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

H.R. 2247 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2259 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2385 **May 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2417 **May 21, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2475 **May 24, 2007**

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

H.R. 2702 **June 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2721 **June 14, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2910 **June 28, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3040 **July 12, 2007**

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.

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| H.R. 3065 | July 17, 2007 | H.R. 3741 | Oct. 3, 2007 |
| To amend title 38 United States Code, to modify the rate of reimbursement of State and local agencies administering veterans education benefits. | | For the relief of certain members of the First Brigade Combat Team of the 34th Infantry Division of the Army National Guard. | |
| H.R. 3082 | July 18, 2007 | H.R. 3786 | Oct. 9, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 3298 | Aug. 1, 2007 | H.R. 3798 | Oct. 10, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for employment and reemployment rights for certain individuals ordered to full-time National Guard duty. | |
| H.R. 3393 | Aug. 3, 2007 | H.R. 3882 | Oct. 17, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' re-employment 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 3467 | Aug. 4, 2007 | H.R. 3889 | Oct. 18, 2007 |
| To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 3553 | Sept. 17, 2007 | H.R. 4130 | Nov. 9, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and improve certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain servicemembers to become eligible for educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill. | |
| H.R. 3646 | Sept. 24, 2007 | H.R. 4255 | Dec. 4, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 3681 | Sept. 27, 2007 | H.R. 4539 | Dec. 13, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the housing loan benefit program of the Department of Veterans Affairs. | |

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H.R. 4853 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4883 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4884 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4889 **Dec. 19, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code.

H.R. 5034 **Jan. 17, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5229 **Feb. 6, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5561 **Mar. 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5566 **Mar. 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5625 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5651 **Mar. 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5663 **Mar. 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5664 **Mar. 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5684 **Apr. 2, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5740 **Apr. 9, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5825 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

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| H.R. 5857 | Apr. 22, 2008 | H.R. 6272 | June 12, 2008 |
| 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. | | To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992. | |
| H.R. 5939 | May 1, 2008 | H.R. 6397 | June 26, 2008 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 5944 | May 1, 2008 | H.R. 6465 | July 10, 2008 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 5947 | May 1, 2008 | H.R. 6494 | July 15, 2008 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights. | | To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes. | |
| H.R. 6070 | May 15, 2008 | H.R. 6543 | July 17, 2008 |
| To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 6221 | June 10, 2008 | H.R. 6850 | Sept. 9, 2008 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 6224 | June 10, 2008 | H.R. 7003 | Sept. 23, 2008 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 6225 | June 10, 2008 | H.R. 7178 | Sept. 27, 2008 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer. | | 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. | |

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HEALTH**

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| <p>S. 229 Jan. 9, 2007</p> <p>To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".</p> | <p>H.R. 446 Jan. 12, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 92 Jan. 4, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 447 Jan. 12, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 315 Jan. 5, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 463 Jan. 12, 2007</p> <p>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").</p> |
| <p>H.R. 327 Jan. 9, 2007</p> <p>To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.</p> | <p>H.R. 474 Jan. 16, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 331 Jan. 9, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 508 Jan. 17, 2007</p> <p>To require United States military disengagement from Iraq, to provide United States assistance for reconstruction and reconciliation in Iraq, and for other purposes.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 339 Jan. 9, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 538 Jan. 17, 2007</p> <p>To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 366 Jan. 10, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".</p> | <p>H.R. 542 Jan. 17, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> |

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| H.R. 612 | Jan. 22, 2007 | H.R. 1448 | Mar. 9, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 650 | Jan. 24, 2007 | H.R. 1470 | Mar. 12, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 941 | Feb. 8, 2007 | H.R. 1471 | Mar. 12, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care. | |
| H.R. 1041 | Feb. 14, 2007 | H.R. 1527 | Mar. 14, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes. | |
| H.R. 1253 | Feb. 28, 2007 | H.R. 1546 | Mar. 15, 2007 |
| To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, as the "Charles W. Lindberg Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic". | | 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. | |
| H.R. 1323 | Mar. 5, 2007 | H.R. 1594 | Mar. 20, 2007 |
| To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado. | | To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic. | |
| H.R. 1382 | Mar. 7, 2007 | H.R. 1808 | Mar. 29, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care. | | To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center". | |
| H.R. 1426 | Mar. 9, 2007 | H.R. 1812 | Mar. 29, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |

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| H.R. 1853 | Mar. 29, 2007 | H.R. 2190 | May 7, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Advisory Committee on Rural Veterans. | |
| H.R. 1879 | Apr. 17, 2007 | H.R. 2192 | May 7, 2007 |
| 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. | | To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs. | |
| H.R. 1925 | Apr. 18, 2007 | H.R. 2199 | May 8, 2007 |
| To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a separate Veterans Integrated Service Network for the Gulf Coast region of the United States. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 1944 | Apr. 19, 2007 | H.R. 2201 | May 8, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 2005 | Apr. 23, 2007 | H.R. 2219 | May 8, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care for veterans who live in rural areas, and for other purposes. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 2172 | May 3, 2007 | H.R. 2226 | May 8, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 2173 | May 3, 2007 | H.R. 2258 | May 9, 2007 |
| 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. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 2179 | May 3, 2007 | H.R. 2378 | May 17, 2007 |
| To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers. | | 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. | |
| H.R. 2189 | May 7, 2007 | | |
| To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes. | | | |

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH

H.R. 2408 **May 21, 2007**

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

H.R. 2514 **May 24, 2007**

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

H.R. 2546 **May 24, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 2602 **June 6, 2007**

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

H.R. 2623 **June 7, 2007**

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

H.R. 2681 **June 12, 2007**

To provide for the maintenance, management, and availability for research of assets of the Air Force Health Study.

H.R. 2689 **June 12, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2699 **June 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2790 **June 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2795 **June 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2818 **June 21, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2855 **June 25, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2874 **June 27, 2007**

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

H.R. 3051 **July 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3102 **July 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3103 **July 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3210 **July 27, 2007**

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

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH

H.R. 3338 **Aug. 2, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3423 **Aug. 3, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3455 **Aug. 4, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3458 **Aug. 4, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.

H.R. 3489 **Sept. 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3558 **Sept. 18, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3620 **Sept. 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3819 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3990 **Oct. 29, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4012 **Oct. 30, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4023 **Oct. 31, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4052 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4053 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4089 **Nov. 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4107 **Nov. 7, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4142 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH

H.R. 4143 Nov. 9, 2007

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project in Atlanta, Georgia.

H.R. 4146 Nov. 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 4161 Nov. 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 4204 Nov. 15, 2007

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

H.R. 4231 Nov. 15, 2007

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.

H.R. 4463 Dec. 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 4915 Dec. 19, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access to hospital care for veterans in urban areas, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5526 Mar. 4, 2008

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

H.R. 5554 Mar. 6, 2008

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.

H.R. 5595 Mar. 12, 2008

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.

H.R. 5622 Mar. 13, 2008

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.

H.R. 5623 Mar. 13, 2008

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.

H.R. 5729 Apr. 8, 2008

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.

H.R. 5730 Apr. 8, 2008

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.

H.R. 5856 Apr. 22, 2008

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.

H.R. 5888 Apr. 24, 2008

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.

H.R. 6075 May 15, 2008

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

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH

H.R. 6114 **May 21, 2008**

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

H.R. 6122 **May 21, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6153 **May 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6268 **June 12, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6277 **June 17, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6287 **June 17, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6366 **June 25, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6430 **July 8, 2008**

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

H.R. 6439 **July 8, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6445 **July 9, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled.

H.R. 6471 **July 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6516 **July 16, 2008**

To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in non-foreign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6629 **July 29, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6695 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6699 **July 31, 2008**

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.

BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH

H.R. 6711 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6712 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6764 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6765 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6792 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6945 **Sept. 18, 2008**

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

H.R. 6998 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7046 **Sept. 24, 2008**

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct a new community-based outpatient clinic at Ord Military Community, California.

H.R. 7167 **Sept. 26, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7214 **Sept. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7299 **Nov. 20, 2008**

To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.

**BILLS REFERRED TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON
OVERSIGHT AND INVESTIGATIONS**

H.R. 1642

Mar. 22, 2007

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.

H.R. 2225

May 8, 2007

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.

H.R. 2292

May 14, 2007

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.

STATUS OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED OR DISCHARGED

| Bill Number | Title | Reported in House | Passed House | Reported in Senate | Passed Senate | Conference Report Filed | Conference Report Agreed to | Public Law Date Approved |
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| HCRes 5 | Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" | | 1/31/07 Vote 411-0 | | | | | |
| HCRes 60 | Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes | | 11/5/07 | | | | | |
| HCRes 336 | Honoring the sacrifices and contributions by disabled American veterans | | 6/10/08 Vote 417-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 237 | Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year | | 10/23/07 | | | | | |
| HRes 392 | Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers | | 5/23/07 | | | | | |
| HRes 680 | Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial | | 10/23/07 Vote 418-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 744 | Recognizing the contributions of Native American veterans | | 11/5/07 Vote 351-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 770 | Expressing support for designation of a National Veterans History Project Week | | 11/5/07 | | | | | |
| HRes 790 | Commending the State of Washington on their support for veterans | | 2/14/08 Vote 383-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 963 | National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week | | 2/14/08 Vote 384-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 1054 | Honoring service and achievements of women in Armed Forces and female vets. | | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| HRes 1098 | Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran | | 6/26/08 Vote 409-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 1231 | Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day | | 6/26/08 | | | | | |
| HRes 1235 | Expressing support for the designation of National D-Day Remembrance Day | | 6/11/08 Vote 406-0 | | | | | |
| HRes 1287 | Commending the Honor Flight Network | | 9/22/08 | | | | | |
| HRes 1291 | Expressing gratitude to American GI Forum on its 60th Anniversary | | 6/26/08 Vote 421-0 | | | | | |

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| HRes 1335 | Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Govt. & State homes | | 9/17/08 Vote 411-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 23 | Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II Act of 2007 | 7/27/07 110-269 Part I | 7/30/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 67 | Veterans Outreach Improvement Act of 2007 | | 5/23/07 Vote 421-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 327 | Joshua Omgig Veterans Suicide Prevention Act | 3/20/07 110-55 | 3/21/07 Vote 423-0 | | 9/27/07 | | 10/23/07 417-0 | 11/5/07 PL 110-110 |
| H.R. 366 | Ernest Childers VA Outpatient Clinic | | 6/25/07 | | 12/18/07 | | | 12/26/07 PL 110-156 |
| H.R. 513 | National Heroes Credit Protection Act | | 11/5/07 Vote 349-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 612 | Returning Servicemember VA Healthcare Insurance Act of 2007 | | 5/23/07 Vote 419-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 674 | Repeal of Sunset Provison for Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans | 7/24/08 110-772 | 7/31/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 797 | Dr. James Allen Veteran Vision Equity Act | 3/20/07 110-57 | 3/21/07 Vote 424-0 | | 11/2/07 | | 12/11/07 12/17/07 | 12/26/07 PL 110-157 |
| H.R. 1284 | Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2007 | 3/20/07 110-56 | 3/21/07 Vote 418-0 | | 10/18/07 | | | 11/5/07 PL 110-111 |
| H.R. 1315 | Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2007 | 7/27/07 110-266 | 7/30/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 1470 | Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act | | 5/23/07 Vote 421-1 | | | | | |
| H.R. 1527 | Rural Veterans Access to Care Act | 8/1/08 110-817 | 9/10/08 Vote 417-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 1538 | Dignified Treatment of Wounded Warriors Act | 3/23/07 110-68,Pl.1 | 3/28/07 Vote 426-0 | | 7/25/07 | | | |
| H.R. 1594 | Michael A. Marzano VA Outpatient Clinic | | 9/17/08 Vote 410-0 | | 9/30/08 | | | 10/14/08 PL 110-410 |
| H.R. 1642 | Homeless Veterans Housing at Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center Promotion Act | | 5/7/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 1660 | Establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region | | 5/23/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 1808 | Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center | | 10/23/07 Vote 417-0 | | 10/31/07 | | | 11/8/07 PL 110-112 |
| H.R. 2192 | Establish an Ombudsman within VA | 7/24/08 110-773 | 7/29/08 Vote 398-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 2199 | Traumatic Brain Injury Health Enhancement and Long-Term Support Act of 2007 | 5/23/07 110-166 | 5/23/07 Vote 421-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 2239 | Early Access to Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Benefits Act | | 5/23/07 Vote 414-0 | | | | | |

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| H.R. 2245 | Elwood "Bud" Link VA Outpatient Clinic | | 6/26/08 | | 8/1/08 | | | 8/12/08 PL 110-302 |
| H.R. 2408 | Milo C. Huempfer VA Outpatient Clinic | | 10/23/07 | | 12/13/07 | | | 12/21/07 PL 110-145 |
| H.R. 2546 | Charles George VA Medical Center | | 6/25/07 Vote 381-0 | | 11/1/07 | | | 11/15/07 PL 110-117 |
| H.R. 2602 | Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Facility | | 6/25/07 | | 11/7/07 | | | 11/16/07 PL 110-118 |
| H.R. 2623 | Prohibit collection of copayments for all hospice care furnished by VA | 7/27/07 110-267 | 7/30/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 2790 | Director of Physician Assistant Services at Veterans Health Administration | 5/15/08 110-642 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 2818 | Veterans' Epilepsy Treatment Act of 2008 | 6/19/08 110-722 | 6/24/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 2874 | Veterans' Health Care Improvement Act of 2007 | 7/27/07 110-268 | 7/30/07 | | | | | |
| H.R. 3681 | Veterans Benefits Awareness Act of 2008 | 5/15/08 110-644 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 3819 | Veterans Emergency Care Fairness Act of 2008 | 5/15/08 110-638 | 5/21/08 Vote 412-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 3889 | Longitudinal Study of VA Vocational Rehabilitation Programs | 5/15/08 110-640 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 4169 | American Braille Flag Memorial Act | | 2/14/08 Vote 396-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 4255 | U.S. Olympic Committee Paralympic Program Act of 2008 | 7/24/08 110-774 | 7/31/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 4264 | Michael Bilirakis VA Spinal Cord Injury Center | | 6/26/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 4289 | Euripides Rubio VA Outpatient Clinic | | 6/24/08 | | 7/11/08 | | | 7/30/08 PL 110-292 |
| H.R. 4918 | Bruce W. Carter VA Medical Center | | 6/26/08 | | 8/1/08 | | | 8/12/08 PL 110-304 |
| H.R. 5554 | Justin Bailey Veterans Substance Use Disorders Prevention & Treatment Act | 5/15/08 110-639 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 5664 | Veterans Handbook of Designs for Specially Adapted Housing | 5/15/08 110-641 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 5729 | Spina Bifida Health Care Program Expansion Act | 5/15/08 110-645 | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 5736 | Col. Ola Lee Mize VA Clinic | | 9/17/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 5826 | Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2008 | 5/15/08 110-643 | 5/21/08 Vote 417-0 | | | | | |

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| H.R. 5856 | VA Medical Facility Authorization and Lease Act of 2008 | 5/15/08 110-648 | 5/21/08 Vote 416-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 5892 | Veterans Disability Benefits Claims Modernization Act of 2008 | 7/29/08 110-789 | 7/30/08 Vote 429-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6048 | Protection of Child Custody Arrangements for Deployed Parents | | 5/20/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6221 | Improving Veterans' Opportunity in Education and Business Act of 2008 | 7/29/08 110-785 | 7/31/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6225 | Improving SCRA and USERRA Protections Act of 2008 | 7/28/08 110-778 | 7/31/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6445 | Veterans' Health Care Policy Enhancement Act of 2008 | 7/29/08 110-786 | 7/30/08 Vote 421-0 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6580 | Hubbard Act | | 7/29/08 | | 8/1/08 | | | 8/29/08 PL 110-317 |
| H.R. 6625 | Veteran Voting Support Act | 9/15/08 110-851,Pt.1 | 9/17/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6832 | Veterans' Programs Extension and Construction Authorization Act of 2008 | | 9/11/08 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6897 | Filipino Veterans Equity Act of 2008 | | 9/23/08 Vote 392-23 | | | | | |
| H.R. 6980 | Medal of Honor Special Pension Increase | | 9/24/08 | | | | | |
| S. 229 | Raymond G. Murphy VA Medical Center | | 6/25/07 | | 4/12/07 | | | 7/5/07 PL 110-45 |
| S. 1315 | Veterans' Benefits Enhancement Act of 2008 | | 9/22/08 | 8/29/07 110-148 | 4/24/08 Vote 96-0 | | | |
| S. 1396 | Authorize major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at VAMC in Atlanta, Georgia | | 12/19/07 | | 12/13/07 | | | 12/26/07 PL 110-168 |
| S. 2162 | Veterans' Mental Health and Other Care Improvements Act of 2008 | | 9/24/08 | 4/8/08 110-281 | 6/3/08 | | 9/27/08 | 10/10/08 PL 110-387 |
| S. 2339 | Lt. Col. Clement C. Van Wagoner VA Clinic | | 9/17/08 Vote 412-0 | | 12/13/07 | | | 9/30/08 PL 110-332 |
| S. 2617 | Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2008 | | 9/10/08 Vote 418-0 | 7/24/08 110-430 | 7/30/08 | | | 9/24/08 PL 110-324 |
| S. 3023 | Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2008 | | 9/24/08 | 9/9/08 110-449 | 9/16/08 | | 9/27/08 | 10/10/08 PL 110-389 |

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MR. BOSWELL (FOR HIMSELF), MR. KIND, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. LIPINSKI, MR. HINCHEY, MR. ENGEL, MR. ROSS, MR. WEINER, MS. WOOLSEY, MR. SCHIFF, MR. LINCOLN DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MRS. CAPPS, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MRS. LOWEY, MR. LANTOS, MS. SCHWARTZ, MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK, MR. ORTIZ, MR. NEAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. RAHALL, MR. SPRATT, MR. BOUCHER, MR. HONDA, MS. MATSUI, MR. MCINTYRE, MS. WATERS, MR. CRAMER, MR. MOLLOHAN, MR. WEXLER, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. CROWLEY, MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MR. MOORE OF KANSAS, MR. RUPPERSBERGER, MR. OLVER, MR. COSTELLO, MR. POMEROY, MR. SALAZAR, MRS. NAPOLITANO, MR. LATHAM, MR. MICHAUD, MRS. MALONEY OF NEW YORK, MR. LANGEVIN, MR. PASCRELL, MRS. MCCARTHY OF NEW YORK, MR. STARK, MR. EDWARDS, MR. MORAN OF VIRGINIA, MR. KING OF IOWA, MR. BERMAN, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. LOEBSACK, MR. MARSHALL, MR. FILNER, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. BRALEY OF IOWA, MR. KENNEDY, MR. LARSON OF CONNECTICUT, MS. ZOE LOFGREN OF CALIFORNIA, MR. BAIRD, MR. WATT, MR. SHERMAN, MR. TAYLOR, MR. CHANDLER, MR. BERRY, MR. HOLDEN, MR. DONNELLY, MR. HILL, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. CARDOZA, MR. MELANCON, MS. HARMAN, MS. BEAN, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, MR. BACA, MR. COSTA, MR. MATHESON, MR. BARROW, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. SHULER, MR. WILSON OF OHIO, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA, MR. ELLSWORTH, MR. HAYES, AND MR. WAMP; (ADDED JAN. 12, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. RENZI, MRS. TAUSCHER, MR. GRIJALVA, MS. LINDA T. SANCHEZ OF CALIFORNIA, MR. WAXMAN, MR. TIERNEY, MR. CAPUANO, MS. BERKLEY, MR. ALLEN, MR. HARE, MR. PERLMUTTER, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. KUCINICH; (ADDED JAN. 18, 2007), MR. ISRAEL, MR. KAGEN, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS, AND MS. CASTOR; (ADDED JAN. 24, 2007), MR. CUELLAR, MR. DELAHUNT, MR. LEVIN, MR. BLUMENAUER, MR. MANZULLO, AND MR. GORDON; (ADDED FEB. 6, 2007), MR. MARKEY, MR. KILDEE, MS. DELAURO, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. ALTMIRE,

AND MR. JEFFERSON; (ADDED FEB. 14, 2007), MR. RAMSTAD, MR. COHEN, MR. ELLISON, MR. ACKERMAN, AND MR. VISCLOSKY; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2007), MS. BORDALLO, MR. STUPAK, MS. DEGETTE, MR. ABERCROMBIE, AND MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MR. CONYERS, MR. OBERSTAR, AND MRS. BOYDA OF KANSAS; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MRS. CAPITO, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. WU, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. SPACE, MR. MITCHELL, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. LAMBORN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA; (ADDED MAR. 20, 2007), MR. SOUDER

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

Nov. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-110.

H.R. 366

Jan. 10, 2007

MR. SULLIVAN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. LUCAS, MR. COLE OF OKLAHOMA, MS. FALLIN, AND MR. BOREN

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-156.

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H.R. 797

Feb. 5, 2007

MS. BALDWIN (FOR HERSELF), MR. BOOZMAN, MR. FILNER, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MS. HERSETH SANDLIN, MS. BERKLEY, AND MR. HALL OF NEW YORK; (ADDED FEB. 8, 2007), MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. GUTIERREZ, MS. KAPTUR, MR. FATTAH, MS. KILPATRICK, MS. JACKSON-LEE OF TEXAS, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, AND MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2007), MR. DOYLE, MR. DAVIS OF ALABAMA, MR. HIGGINS, AND MR. CUMMINGS; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2007), MR. GONZALEZ, MR. PETERSON OF MINNESOTA, AND MR. REYES; (ADDED FEB. 15, 2007), MR. CARNEY, MS. CARSON, AND MS. BORDALLO; (ADDED FEB. 16, 2007), MR. RYAN OF WISCONSIN, AND MR. KIND; (ADDED FEB. 28, 2007), MR. YARMUTH, MR. MCCOTTER, MS. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON OF TEXAS, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. HOLDEN, MR. PAYNE, MR. SPACE, MS. HIRONO, AND MS. MCCOLLUM OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 5, 2007), MR. SENSENBRENNER, MR. KAGEN, MR. MCDERMOTT, MR. MANZULLO, MR. COHEN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MICHAUD, AND MR. CLEAVER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. VAN HOLLEN, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MS. MATSUI, MR. HOLT, MS. SCHAKOWSKY, MS. DEGETTE, AND MR. MURTHA; (ADDED MAR. 14, 2007), MR. WEXLER; (ADDED MAR. 15, 2007), MR. BAKER, AND MR. KLINE OF MINNESOTA; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. HARE, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. LAMBORN, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. MCNERNEY, AND MR. ORTIZ

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-157.

H.R. 1284

Mar. 1, 2007

MR. HALL OF NEW YORK (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. FILNER; (ADDED MAR. 12, 2007), MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2007), MR. HARE; (ADDED MAR. 19, 2007), MR. MCNERNEY, MS. BERKLEY, MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA, MR. BUYER, MR. STEARNS, MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. SPACE, AND MR. ORTIZ

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.

Nov. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-111.

H.R. 1594

Mar. 20, 2007

MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. ALTMIRE, MR. BRADY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. PETERSON OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. GERLACH, MR. SESTAK, MR. PATRICK MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. SHUSTER, MR. MURTHA, MR. DOYLE, MR. DENT, MR. PITTS, MR. HOLDEN, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND MR. PLATTS; (ADDED MAR. 21, 2007), MR. CARNEY; (ADDED MAR. 23, 2007), MR. FATTAH; (ADDED MAR. 29, 2007), MR. CALVERT; (ADDED APR. 19, 2007), MR. KANJORSKI, MS. SCHWARTZ, AND MR. BILIRAKIS; (ADDED FEB. 12, 2008), MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA; (ADDED MAR. 13, 2008), MR. FILNER; (ADDED APR. 29, 2008), MR. CARSON

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.

Oct. 14, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-410.

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H.R. 1808

Mar. 29, 2007

MR. KINGSTON (FOR HIMSELF), MR. DEAL OF GEORGIA, MR. WESTMORELAND, MR. LEWIS OF GEORGIA, MR. SCOTT OF GEORGIA, MR. BISHOP OF GEORGIA, MR. PRICE OF GEORGIA, MR. LINDER, MR. JOHNSON OF GEORGIA, MR. GINGREY, MR. BARROW, MR. BARTON OF TEXAS, MR. YOUNG OF ALASKA, MR. CONAWAY, MR. BONNER, MR. DOOLITTLE, MR. TIM MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA, MR. LATHAM, MR. BOSWELL, MRS. MUSGRAVE, MR. HAYES, MR. WILSON OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. REHBERG, MR. FOSSELLA, MR. SESSIONS, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. DELAHUNT, MS. FALLIN, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MS. FOXX, MR. HALL OF TEXAS, MR. DAVID DAVIS OF TENNESSEE, MR. DINGELL, MRS. MCMORRIS RODGERS, MR. GARY G. MILLER OF CALIFORNIA, MR. GOHMERT, MR. WHITFIELD OF KENTUCKY, MR. BROWN OF SOUTH CAROLINA, MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON, MRS. EMERSON, MR. SMITH OF TEXAS, MR. WAMP, MR. BUYER, MR. GALLEGLY, MR. HASTERT, MR. GILLMOR, MR. UPTON, MR. ADERHOLT, MR. ENGEL, MR. WOLF, MR. SHUSTER, MR. WICKER, MR. ENGLISH OF PENNSYLVANIA, MR. LAHOOD, MRS. DRAKE, MR. GOODE, MR. PITTS, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MR. COBLE, MR. HOBSON, MR. BURGESS, MS. CARSON, MR. PETRI, MR. MCGOVERN, MR. BACA, MR. HENSARLING, MR. BOOZMAN, MR. REYNOLDS, MR. DUNCAN, MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO, MR. LAMBORN, MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA, MR. KING OF IOWA, AND MR. BOUSTANY; (ADDED MAY 2, 2007), MR. CALVERT, MR. MCCOTTER, MR. FEENEY, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA; (ADDED SEPT. 4, 2007), MR. MARSHALL; (ADDED SEPT. 5, 2007), MR. BROUN OF GEORGIA

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Nov. 8, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-112.

H.R. 2245

May 9, 2007

MR. HASTINGS OF WASHINGTON

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

Aug. 12, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-302.

H.R. 2408

May 21, 2007

MR. KAGEN (FOR HIMSELF), MR. PETRI, MR. OBEY, MR. KIND, MS. BALDWIN, MS. MOORE OF WISCONSIN, MR. SENSENBRENNER, AND MR. RYAN OF WISCONSIN; (ADDED OCT. 18, 2007), MR. BOOZMAN

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

Dec. 21, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-145.

H.R. 2546

May 24, 2007

MR. SHULER (FOR HIMSELF), MR. MCHENRY, MR. COBLE, MR. JONES OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. PRICE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MR. ETHERIDGE, MR. WATT, MR. HAYES, MRS. MYRICK, MS. FOXX, MR. BUTTERFIELD, MR. MILLER OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND MR. MCINTYRE

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Nov. 15, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-117.

H.R. 2602

June 6, 2007

MR. STUPAK (FOR HIMSELF), MR. EHLERS, MR. KNOLLENBERG, MR. LEVIN, MR. HOEKSTRA, MS. KILPATRICK, MR. DINGELL, MRS. MILLER OF MICHIGAN, AND MR. WALBERG; (ADDED JUNE 19, 2007), MR. KILDEE, MR. CONYERS, MR. CAMP OF MICHIGAN, MR. ROGERS OF MICHIGAN, MR. UPTON, AND MR. MCCOTTER

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

Nov. 16, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-118.

H.R. 4289

Dec. 5, 2007

MR. FORTUNO

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

Jul. 30, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-292.

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H.R. 4918

Dec. 19, 2007

MS. ROS-LEHTINEN (FOR HERSELF); (ADDED JUNE 17, 2008), MR. MILLER OF FLORIDA, MS. GINNY BROWN-WAITE OF FLORIDA, MS. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, MR. CRENSHAW, MR. MEEK OF FLORIDA, MR. HASTINGS OF FLORIDA, MR. KLEIN OF FLORIDA, MS. CORRINE BROWN OF FLORIDA, MR. WEXLER, MR. MACK, MS. CASTOR, MR. BUCHANAN, MR. BOYD OF FLORIDA, MR. FEENEY, MR. BILIRAKIS, MR. MARIO DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, MR. STEARNS, MR. KELLER, MR. PUTNAM, MR. MICA, MR. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART OF FLORIDA, AND MR. MAHONEY OF FLORIDA; (ADDED JUNE 18, 2008), MR. YOUNG OF FLORIDA, AND MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA

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

Aug. 12, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-304.

H.R. 6580

July 23, 2008

MR. KIND (FOR HIMSELF), MR. NUNES, MR. COSTA, MR. MCNERNEY, MR. RADANOVICH, MR. CARDOZA, MR. MCCARTHY OF CALIFORNIA, AND MR. WILSON OF OHIO

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.

Aug. 29, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-317.

S. 229

Jan. 9, 2007

MR. DOMENICI (FOR HIMSELF) AND MR. BINGAMAN

To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Jul. 5, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-45.

S. 1396

May 15, 2007

MR. ISAKSON

To authorize a major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dec. 26, 2007—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-168.

S. 2162

Oct. 15, 2007

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED OCT. 23, 2007), MR. BURR; (ADDED OCT. 25, 2007), MS. MIKULSKI; (ADDED DEC. 3, 2007), MR. ENSIGN; (ADDED MAR. 11, 2008), MR. ROCKEFELLER; (ADDED MAY 6, 2008), MR. SMITH, MR. BINGAMAN, AND MRS. DOLE; (ADDED MAY 7, 2008), MS. COLLINS, AND MRS. CLINTON; (ADDED MAY 22, 2008), MR. SESSIONS; (ADDED JUNE 3, 2008), MR. STEVENS; (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), MR. INHOFE

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.

Oct. 10, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-387.

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Nov. 13, 2007

MS. STABENOW (FOR HERSELF) AND MR. LEVIN

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

Sep. 30, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-332.

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Feb. 8, 2008

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF), MR. BURR, MR. ROCKEFELLER, MRS. MURRAY, MR. OBAMA, MR. SANDERS, MR. BROWN, MR. WEBB, MR. TESTER, MR. CRAIG, AND MR. ISAKSON; (ADDED FEB. 13, 2008), MS. STABENOW

To increase, effective as of December 1, 2008, 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.

Sep. 24, 2008—Signed by the President. Became Public Law 110-324.

PUBLIC LAWS

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May 15, 2008

MR. AKAKA (FOR HIMSELF) (ADDED SEPT. 26, 2008), Ms.
SNOWE

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

Oct. 10, 2008—Signed by the President. Public Law 110-389.

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| 54 | Jan. 5, 2007 | 943 | Mar. 22, 2007 |
| Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Extension of the Presumptive Period for Compensation for Gulf War Veterans (RIN: 2900-AM47) Received December 20, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | | Letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's requested legislative proposals as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 2008. | |
| 55 | Jan. 5, 2007 | 994 | Mar. 28, 2007 |
| Letter from the Assistant to the Secretary for Reg Policy and Mgt, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Filipino Veterans' Benefits Improvements (RIN: 2900-AK65) Received December 29, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | | Letter from the Dir. Regulations Mgt., Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Home Schooling and Educational Institution (RIN: 2900-AM37) Received February 27, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | |
| 57 | Jan. 5, 2007 | 995 | Mar. 28, 2007 |
| Letter from the Director of Reg. Management, Office of Regulation Policy & Mgt, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Transfer of Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty Entitlement to Dependents (RIN: 2900-AM12) Received December 20, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | | Letter from the Dir. Regulations Mgt., Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Priority for Partial Grants to States for Construction or Acquisition of State Home Facilities (RIN 2900-AM42) Received February 27, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | |
| 523 | Feb. 6, 2007 | 1022 | Mar. 29, 2007 |
| Letter from the The American Legion, transmitting the financial statement and independent audit of The American Legion proceedings of the 88th annual National Convention of the American Legion, held in Salt Lake City, Utah from August 25-31, 2006 and a report on the Organization's activities for the year preceding the Convention, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 49. | | Letter from the Dir, Regulations Mgt, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Cost Estimate 06-26 Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Appendices A, B, C (RIN: 2900-AM60) Received March 18, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | |
| 592 | Feb. 12, 2007 | 1068 | Apr. 16, 2007 |
| Letter from the Chief, Office of Regulation Policy & Mgt., VA, Department of Veteran's Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Accrued Benefits (RIN: 2900-AM28) Received December 29, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | | Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program - Initial Evaluations (RIN: 2900-AM25) Received March 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | |
| 864 | Mar. 14, 2007 | | |
| Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Traumatic Injury Protection Rider to Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (RIN 2900-AM36) Received March 7, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). | | | |

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| <p>1241 Apr. 23, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Veterans and Dependents Education: Topping-Up Tuition Assistance; Licensing and Certification Tests; Duty to Assist Education Claimants (RIN: 2900-AK80) Received April 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>2265 June 19, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the the Adjutant General, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., transmitting proceedings of the 107th National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, held in Reno, Nevada, August 26-August 31, 2006, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 118 and 44 U.S.C. 1332.</p> |
| <p>1247 Apr. 23, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee, transmitting a copy of the report for Fiscal Year 2006 regarding the activities and accomplishments of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 320.</p> | <p>2573 July 17, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the 2005 Annual Report of the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training of the Department of Labor, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 4107(c).</p> |
| <p>1960 May 23, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Reg Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Administration of VA Educational Benefits - Centralized Certification (RIN: 2900-AL43) Received April 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>2574 July 17, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' health care benefits, and for other purposes".</p> |
| <p>1961 May 23, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Reg Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Medical: Informed Consent - Designate Health Care Professionals to Obtain Informed Consent. (RIN: 2900-AM21) Received April 1, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>2620 July 23, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Data Breaches (RIN: 2900-AM63) Received June 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>2093 June 7, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Delegations of Authority-National Cemetery Administration (RIN: 2900-AM18) Received March 18, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>2689 July 25, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill-Selected Reserve and Other Miscellaneous Issues (RIN: 2900-AM50) Received July 18, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>2094 June 7, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Department of Veterans Affairs Implementation of OMB Guidance on Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension (RIN: 2900-AM44) Received June 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>3044 Aug. 3, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill to clarify the requirements for special monthly pension based on age and disability.</p> |
| | <p>3045 Aug. 3, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "Agent Orange Equitable Compensation Act".</p> |

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| <p>3065 Aug. 3, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "Veterans' Pride Initiative Act".</p> | <p>4413 Dec. 10, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "American's Wounded Warriors Act".</p> |
| <p>3457 Sept. 25, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill, "to enhance the functioning and integration of formerly homeless veterans who reside in permanent housing, and for other purposes".</p> | <p>4518 Dec. 11, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Reasonable Charges for Medical Care or Services (RIN: 2900-AM35) Received December 3, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>3678 Oct. 10, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Reg. Management, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Disclosure of Information to Organ Procurement Organizations (RIN: 2900 AM65) Recived September 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>4617 Dec. 12, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Transfer of Duties of Former VA Board of Contract Appeals (RIN: 2900-AM73) Received November 19, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>3876 Oct. 24, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting the biennial report entitled, "Report on the Montgomery G.I. Bill for Members of the Selected Reserve" for Fiscal Year 2006, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 16137 Public Law 106-65, Sec. 546.</p> | <p>4698 Dec. 17, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Extension of the Presumptive Period for Compensation for Gulf War Veterans (RIN: 2900-AM47) Received December 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>3923 Oct. 29, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management Office of Regulation Policy & Management, VA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Government-Furnished Headstone and Marker Regulations (RIN: 2900-AM64) Received September 18, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>4814 Dec. 19, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "Veterans' Authorities Expansion Act of 2007".</p> |
| <p>3924 Oct. 29, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Accreditation of Service Organization Representatives and Agents (RIN: 2900-AM29) Received October 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>4915 Jan. 15, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Veterans Education: Incorporation of Miscellaneous Statutory Provisions (RIN: 2900-AL28) Received January 10, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>4225 Dec. 4,, 2007</p> <p>Letter from the the National Adjutant, the Disabled American Veterans, transmitting the 2006 National Convention Proceedings Of The Disabled American Veterans, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 901 and 44 U.S.C. 1332.</p> | <p>5063 Jan. 18, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill, "To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs, the position of Assistant Secretary for Acquisition, Logistics, and Construction, and for other purposes.".</p> |

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| <p>5064 Jan. 18, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's Fiscal Year 2006 annual report on Veteran's Employment in the Federal Government.</p> | <p>6116 Apr. 15, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Chairman, Board of Veterans' Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of the Report of the Chairman for FY 2007.</p> |
| <p>5179 Jan. 29, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, VA, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Dependents' Educational Assistance (RIN: 2900-AM72) Received January 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>6117 Apr. 15, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve veterans' health care benefits and for other purposes".</p> |
| <p>5180 Jan. 29, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management (00REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Education: Approval of Accredited Courses for VA Education Benefits (RIN: 2900-AM80) Received January 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>6167 Apr. 18, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Data Breaches (RIN: 2900-AM63) Received April 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>5181 Jan. 29, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - VA Acquisition Regulation: Plain Language Rewrite (RIN: 2900-AK78) Received January 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>6695 May 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Notice and Assistance Requirements and Technical Correction (RIN: 2900-AM17) Received April 30, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>5277 Feb. 7, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Loan Guaranty: Loan Servicing and Claims Procedures Modifications (RIN: 2900-AL65) Received January 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>6723 May 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Accreditation of Agents and Attorneys; Agent and Attorney Fees (RIN: 2900-AM62) Received May 13, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>5313 Feb. 12, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the The American Legion, transmitting the financial statement and independent audit of The American Legion proceedings of the 89th annual National Convention of the American Legion, held in Reno, Nevada from August 24-30, 2007 and a report on the Organization's activities for the year preceding the Convention, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 49.</p> | <p>6724 May 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Provision of Hospital Care and Medical Services During Certain Disasters or Emergencies (RIN: 2900-AM40) Received May 9, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>5542 Feb. 27, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill to suthorize major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2009.</p> | <p>6725 May 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - VA Veteran-Owned Small Business Verification Guidelines (RIN: 2900-AM78) Received May 9, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |

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| <p>6737 May 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a copy of a draft bill entitled, "the Veterans' Benefits Enhancement Act of 2008".</p> | <p>7596 July 16, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the the Adjutant General, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., transmitting proceedings of the 108th National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, held in Kansas City, Missouri, August 18-23, 2007, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 118 and 44 U.S.C. 1332.</p> |
| <p>6738 May 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of legislative proposals that would implement initiatives concerning military spousal benefits presented by the President of the United States in his State of the Union Address.</p> | <p>7674 July 21, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting the 2006 and 2007 annual report on the Department's Veterans' Employment and Training Service, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 4107(c).</p> |
| <p>6775 May 21, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Graves Marked with a Private Headstone or Marker (RIN: 2900-AM93) Received May 14, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>7675 July 21, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of the report for Fiscal Year 2007 regarding the activities and accomplishments of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense Joint Executive Committee, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 320.</p> |
| <p>6882 June 3,, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program Period of Eligibility for Eligible Children and Other Miscellaneous Issues (RIN: 2900-AL44) Received May 27, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>8044 July 31, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Supplemental Statement of the Case (RIN: 2900-AM49) Received July 18, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>7084 June 10, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's requested legislative proposals as part of the National Defense Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 2009.</p> | <p>8136 Sept. 8, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the the Disabled American Veterans, transmitting the 2008 National Convention Proceedings of the Disabled American Veterans, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 90i and 44 U.S.C. 1332.</p> |
| <p>7328 June 25, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Prohibition of Interment or Memorialization in National Cemeteries and Certain State Cemeteries Due to Commission of Capital Crimes (RIN: 2900-AM86) Received June 19, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>8692 Sept. 25, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Regulation Policy & Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Schedule of Rating Disabilities; Evaluation of Residuals of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) (RIN: 2900-AM75) Received September 23, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>7425 July 9, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Beneficiary Travel Under 38 U.S.C. 111 Within the United States (RIN: 2900-AM02) Received July 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>8693 Sept. 25, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Regulation Policy & Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Presumption of Service Connection for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (RIN: 2900-AN05) Received September 19, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |

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| <p>8701 Sept. 25, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting a report entitled, "Report On Alternative Measures To Address Cracks In the Monument At The Tomb Of The Unknowns At Arlington National Cemetary, Virginia", pursuant to Public Law 110-181, Section 2873.</p> | <p>9371 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (RIN: 2900-AM22) Received November 5, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>8795 Sept. 26, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Regulation Policy & Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Evaluation of Scars (RIN: 2900-AM55) Received September 19, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>9372 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Disclosure of Information to Organ, Tissue and Eye Procurement Organizations (RIN: 2900-AM65) Received November 7, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>8957 Sept. 29, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director, Office of Agency Management and Budget, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule - Annual Report From Federal Contractors (RIN: 1293-AA12) Received September 26, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>9373 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Dental Care-Provision of One-Time Outpatient Dental Care for Certain Veterans (RIN: 2900-AM95) Received October 7, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>9367 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Eye (RIN: 2900-AH43) Received November 5, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>9576 Nov. 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Increase in Rates Payable Under the Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty and Other Miscellaneous Issues (RIN: 2900-AM45) Received November 5, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>9368 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Grants to States for Construction and Acquisition of State Home Facilities (RIN: 2900-AJ43) Received October 7, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>9577 Nov. 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Elimination of Co-payment for Weight Management Counseling (RIN: 2900-AM59) Received November 5, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> |
| <p>9369 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (RIN: 2900-AN04) Received October 29, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | <p>9578 Nov. 20, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting a report entitled, "Employment of Veterans in the Federal Government - Fiscal Year 2007".</p> |
| <p>9370 Nov. 19, 2008</p> <p>Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Board of Veterans' Appeals: Expedited Claims Adjudication Initiative - Pilot Program (RIN: 2900-AM77) Received November 5, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).</p> | |

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Dec. 9,, 2008

Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Traumatic Injury Protection Program (RIN: 2900-AN00) Received November 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

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Dec. 9, 2008

Letter from the Director of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule - Assistance to States in Hiring and Retaining Nurses at State Veterans Homes (RIN: 2900-AM26) Received December 2, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

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Jan. 3, 2009

Letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule - Priority of Service for Covered Persons (RIN: 1293-AA15) Received December 23, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801 (a)(1) (A).
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Mar. 4, 2008

Communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Administration's 2008 National Drug Control Strategy, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 1504.

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| 24 | Apr. 19, 2007 | 74 | May 23, 2007 |
| Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, relative to House Resolution No. 14 requesting that the Congress of the United States enact assured funding for veterans' health care. | | Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of New Hampshire, relative to House Resolution No. 10 opposing the President of the United States' Iraq policy and urging the President and the Congress of the United States to take actions relative to veterans' benefits and the war in Iraq. | |
| 56 | May 16, 2007 | 85 | June 21, 2007 |
| Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Kansas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 5018 urging the Congress of the United States to propose a bill requesting the President of the United States authorize the striking of a special U.S. Atomic Service Medal to honor Atomic veterans. | | Memorial of the Senate of the State of Oregon, relative to Senate Memorial 1 urging the Congress of the United States to exercise its appropriate constitutional authority to oppose the administration's escalation of United States forces in Iraq. | |
| 57 | May 16, 2007 | 118 | July 18, 2007 |
| Memorial of the Legislature of the State of New Mexico, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 14 urging the Congress of the United States to fully fund medical care and aid and attendant care services for Honey Sue Newby and the other level three Spina Bifida children of parents who served in Vietnam and who are totally disabled. | | Memorial of the Senate of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Resolution No. 594 memorializing the Congress of the United States to support legislation for veterans' health care budget reform to allow assured funding. | |
| 58 | May 16, 2007 | 119 | July 18, 2007 |
| Memorial of the Senate of the State of Vermont, relative to Senate Resolution No. 13 requesting that the Congress of the United States enact legislation to assure federal funding for the health care of veterans. | | Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 53 memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to increase funding for veterans health programs and to reform budget practices to assure that veterans health care needs are addressed by direct rather than discretionary funding. | |
| 63 | May 16, 2007 | 157 | Aug. 2, 2007 |
| Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Washington, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 8008 respectfully praying that the Congress of the United States take action necessary to give priority in the issuance of immigrant visas to the sons, daughters, and grandchildren of Filipino World War II veterans who are or were naturalized citizens of the United States and amend the 1946 Rescission Act and honor our country's moral obligation to restore these Filipino veterans full United States veterans status with the military benefits they deserve. | | Memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 9 urging the Congress of the United States to pass legislation and appropriate funds for an orderly transition for the National Guard and National Guard Reservists to civilian life following active service. | |

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- 201** **Sept. 24, 2007**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 46 urging the Congress of the United States to authorize the Department of Veterans Affairs to convey the Thomas T. Connally Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Marlin, Texas, to the State of Texas.
- 202** **Sept. 24, 2007**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 urging the Congress of the United States to support legislation for veterans' health care budget reform to allow assured funding.
- 204** **Sept. 24, 2007**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 16 urging the Congress of the United States to support the Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II Act of 2005.
- 213** **Nov. 6,, 2007**
 Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, relative to House Resolution No. 175 memorializing the Congress of the United States to reestablish medical care for certain veterans whose income and disability status disqualified them for Department of Veterans Affairs medical care as of January 17, 2003.
- 216** **Nov. 15, 2007**
 Memorial of the Senate of the State of Michigan, relative to Senate Resolution No. 102 memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide for the construction and maintenance of a national cemetery in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.
- 246** **Apr. 3,, 2008**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Maine, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 1563 memorializing the President of the United States, the Congress of the United States and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure funding for Veterans' healthcare.
- 271** **May 1, 2008**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 23 urging the Congress of the United States ensure adequate funding for veterans' health care and to express gratitude to veterans for sacrifices made while serving in the United States Armed Forces.
- 285** **May 20, 2008**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Nebraska, relative to Legislative Resolution No. 376 urging the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to continue efforts to account for all of the missing people from the Vietnam War.
- 299** **June 10, 2008**
 Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Hawaii, relative to House Resolution No. 91 requesting that the Congress of the United States and the President of the United States enact the Filipino American Veterans Equity Act of 2007.
- 324** **June 20, 2008**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Idaho, relative to Senate Joint Memorial No. 108 expressing gratitude for the sacrifices made by our veterans.
- 325** **June 20, 2008**
 Memorial of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Guam, relative to Resolution No. 146 expressing opposition to H.R. 5509 and S. 2674 relative to Veterans Disability Benefits.
- 342** **July 21, 2008**
 Memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 901 urging the adoption of a Veterans Remembered Flag to honor all veterans who have served in our country's Armed Forces.
- 353** **July 28, 2008**
 Memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, relative to House Resolution No. 148 memorializing the Congress of the United States to take such actions as are necessary to recognize the need for support of the spouses of deceased veterans and the need for housing for homeless veterans.
- 366** **Sept. 10, 2008**
 Memorial of the 29th Legislature of Guam, relative to support for Resolution 172 I Mina' Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guahan for the Agent Orange Equity Act.

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Memorial of State Senate of Massachusetts, relative to memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide sufficient, timely and predictable funding for health care for veterans.

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Memorial of the Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature and Commerce Committee. Michigan, relative to Senate Resolution No. 212 memorializing Congress and the President of the United States to enact the River Raisin National Battlefield Act., relative to House Joint Resolution No. 16-15, HS1, HD1 requesting Congress to cause the establishment of a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Benefit Office and a Veterans Affairs Community-Based Outpatient Clinic on the island of Saipan to service all veterans in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

PETITIONS

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| 8 | Mar. 28, 2007 | 199 | Dec. 11, 2007 |
| Petition of the City Council of Honolulu, Hawaii, relative to Resolution 07-044 urging the Congress of the United States to support S.57 and H.R.760, the Filipino Veterans Equity Acts of 2007, conferring benefits on Filipino World War II Veterans. | | Petition of the California Veterans Board, relative to a resolution in support of mandatory funding for healthcare services for veterans. | |
| 16 | Apr. 24, 2007 | 236 | Apr. 17, 2008 |
| Petition of the Town of Shaftsbury, Vermont, relative to a Town Meeting Resolution calling for the immediate and orderly withdrawal of American military forces from Iraq. | | Petition of the National Legislative Commission of the American Legion, relative to Resolutions with legislative intent for the 110th Congress Second Session. | |
| 40 | May 23, 2007 | 281 | June 20, 2008 |
| Petition of the City Council of New Orleans, Louisiana, relative to Resolution No. R-07-86 encouraging all parties interested and involved in the New Orleans health care delivery decision making process to work collaboratively to develop a joint, state-of-the art LSU/Veterans Administration Hospital within the confines of the New Orleans Downtown Medical District. | | Petition of the North Carolina State Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, relative to a Resolution requesting that the Congress of the United States provide the necessary services, both physical and psychological as required by all veterans. | |
| 69 | June 14, 2007 | 282 | June 20, 2008 |
| Petition of the InterCounty Association of Western New York, relative to Resolution No. 18-07 urging the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate to support mandatory funding for veterans' healthcare services. | | Petition of the Council of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii, relative to Resolution No. 08-113 urging the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to pass S. 1315, the Veterans' Benefits Enhancement Act of 2007. | |
| 123 | July 23, 2007 | 294 | July 21, 2008 |
| Petition of Mr. Bill Klech, a citizen of San Ramon, California, relative to concerning the veteran health care for Mr. William Klech by the Pleasanton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. | | Petition of Mr. Wylie Ramone Birch, a citizen of Washington, D.C., relative to petitioning the Congress of the United States for an appeal for redress. | |
| 133 | July 26, 2007 | 297 | July 22, 2008 |
| Petition of the City Council of New Orleans, Louisiana, relative to Resolution No. R-07-258 supporting the construction of a new Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans teaching hospital and a new Veterans Administration Hospital in the New Orleans downtown medical district. | | Petition of Mr. John Timson, a citizen of St. Petersburg, Florida, relative to petitioning the Congress of the United States for an appeal for redress. | |

HEARINGS AND EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

All hearings and executive sessions of the Committee are held in the Committee hearing room, Room 334, Cannon House Office Building unless otherwise designated.

- January 30, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Organizational and Oversight Plan.
- February 8, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2008. (Serial No. 110-1)
- February 12, 2007. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Stakeholders Roundtable Meeting.
- February 14, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Fiscal Year 2008 Health Budget. (Serial No. 110-2)
- February 15, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Equity for Filipino Veterans. (Serial No. 110-3)
- February 15, 2007. OPEN. 3:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Oversight Efforts of the VA Inspector General: Issues, Problems and Best Practices at the Department of Veterans Affairs. (Serial No. 110-4)
- February 27, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committees. Joint Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. The Legislative Priorities of the Disabled American Veterans.
- February 28, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Information and Security Management at the Department of Veterans Affairs -- Current Effectiveness and the Need for Cultural Change. (Serial No. 110-5)
- March 6, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. The Legislative Priorities of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- March 7, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Performance Review of Education, Loan Guaranty, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, and Veterans' Employment and Training Service Programs. (Serial No. 110-6)
- March 8, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 106 Senate Dirksen. The Legislative Priorities of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Blinded Veterans Association, and Vietnam Veterans of America.
- March 8, 2007. OPEN. 3:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Servicemembers Seamless Transition Into Civilian Life - The Heroes Return. (Serial No. 110-7)
- March 13, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Markup. Markup of H.R. 797 and H.R. 1284.
- March 13, 2007. OPEN. 10:15 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. The Impact of OIF/OEF on the VA Claims Process. (Serial No. 110-8)
- March 13, 2007. OPEN. 1:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 327 and H.R. 612.
- March 15, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 327, H.R. 797, and H.R. 1284.
- March 15, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Polytrauma Center Care and the TBI Patient: How Seamless is the Transition Between VA and DoD and Are Needs Being Met? (Serial No. 110-9)
- March 22, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Education Benefits for the National Guard & Reserve Members of the U.S. Armed Forces. (Serial No. 110-10)
- March 29, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committees. Joint Hearing. Room 226 Senate Dirksen. The Legislative Priorities of AMVETS, American Ex-Prisoners of War, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Fleet Reserve Association, The Retired Enlisted Association, Gold Star Wives, Military Officers Association of America, and National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs.
- April 17, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 67, H.R. 1435, H.R. 1444, H.R. 1490. (Serial No. 110-11)
- April 18, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 1642.
- April 18, 2007. OPEN. 10:15 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. H.R. 23, "Belated Thank You to the Merchant Mariners of World War II Act of 2007." (Serial No. 110-12)
- April 18, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Access to VA Health Care: How Easy is it for Veterans-Addressing the Gaps. (Serial No. 110-13)
- April 19, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Surgical Services at the W.G. (Bill) Hefner VA Medical Center in Salisbury, North Carolina. (Serial No. 110-14)
- April 19, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. State Approving Agencies. (Serial No. 110-15)

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- April 24, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Markup. Markup of H.R. 1660.
- April 24, 2007. OPEN. 10:15 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. "Helping Those Left Behind: Are We Doing Enough for the Parents, Spouses and Children of Veterans?" (Serial No. 110-16)
- April 26, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 92, H.R. 315, H.R. 339, H.R. 463, H.R. 538, H.R. 542, H.R. 1426, H.R. 1470, H.R. 1471, H.R. 1527, H.R. 1944, and Discussion Draft of the "Rural Veterans Health Care Act of 2007." (Serial No. 110-17)
- May 3, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Accelerated Education Benefits for Veterans. (Serial No. 110-18)
- May 8, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Sharing of Electronic Medical Records Between Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs. (Serial No. 110-20)
- May 8, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Markup. Markup of H.R. 67.
- May 8, 2007. OPEN. 2:15 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Veterans Cemeteries: Honoring Those Who Served. (Serial No. 110-19)
- May 9, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. State of VA's Long-Term Care Programs. (Serial No. 110-21)
- May 9, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Full Committee. Hearing. The Results of the President's Task Force on Returning Global War on Terror Heroes. (Serial No. 110-22)
- May 10, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Room 340 Cannon. Markup of H.R. 1470 and H.R. 2199.
- May 15, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 612, H.R. 67, H.R. 1660, H.R. 1470, H.R. 2199, H.R. 2219, and H.R. 2239.
- May 16, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. PTSD Mental Health Care Symposium.
- May 17, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Veterans' Entrepreneurship and Self Employment. (Serial No. 110-23)
- May 22, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. The Challenges Facing the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. (Serial No. 110-24)
- May 23, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. VA Disability Claims Roundtable: Looking for a Solution.
- May 29, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Joint House and Senate Meeting. Dover, Ohio. Issues Facing Veterans in the Rural Areas of Appalachia. (Senate Hearing Print 110-146)
- June 7, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Specially Adaptive Housing. (Serial No. 110-25)
- June 12, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. SES Bonuses: Ensuring VA's Process Works. (Serial No. 110-26)
- June 14, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 1448, H.R. 1853, H.R. 1925, H.R. 2005, H.R. 2172, H.R. 2173, H.R. 2378, H.R. 2219, H.R. 2192, and H.R. 2623. (Serial No. 110-27)
- June 19, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 156, H.R. 585, and H.R. 704. (Serial No. 110-28)
- June 20, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Priority Group 8 Veterans. (Serial No. 110-29)
- June 21, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 1750, H.R. 1824, H.R. 1598, H.R. 1315, H.R. 1240, H.R. 675, H.R. 513, H.R. 2259, H.R. 2475, H.R. 1632, H.R. 112, H.R. 2579, and H.R. 1370. (Serial No. 110-30)
- June 27, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. VA Internal Contracting Oversight Deficiencies. (Serial No. 110-31)
- June 28, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2623 and H.R. 2874.
- June 29, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Markup. Markup of H.R. 1315, H.R. 1750, H.R. 1240, and H.R. 1632.
- July 9, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. Full Committee. Field Hearing. New Orleans, Louisiana. The Future of VA Health Care in South Louisiana. (Serial No. 110-32)
- July 11, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2874.
- July 12, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Joint Subcommittee on Health and Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Issues Facing Women and Minority Veterans. (Serial No. 110-33)
- July 12, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Federal Procurement and the Three Percent Set Aside. (Serial No. 110-34)
- July 17, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2623, H.R. 2874, H.R. 1315, H.R. 760, and H.R. 23.
- July 18, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Traumatic Brain Injury Symposium.
- July 19, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Vet Centers. (Serial No. 110-35)
- July 24, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. VA IT Inventory Management. (Serial No. 110-36)

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- July 25, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. PTSD and Personality Disorders: Challenges for the VA. (Serial No. 110-37)
- July 26, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Gulf War Exposures. (Serial No. 110-38)
- July 26, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Contract Bundling Oversight. (Serial No. 110-39)
- July 31, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 674, H.R. 1273, H.R. 1900, H.R. 1901, H.R. 2346, H.R. 2696, and H.R. 2697. (Serial No. 110-40)
- September 6, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Veterans' Preference. (Serial No. 110-41)
- September 18, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. State of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. (Serial No. 110-42)
- September 19, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Findings of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors. (Serial No. 110-43)
- September 20, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committees. Joint Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. The Legislative Priorities of The American Legion.
- September 20, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Licensure and Certification of Transitioning Veterans. (Serial No. 110-44)
- September 25, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Polytrauma Rehabilitation Centers: Management Issues. (Serial No. 110-45)
- September 25, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Board of Veterans' Appeals Adjudication Process and the Appeals Management Center. (Serial No. 110-46)
- September 26, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Information Technology Reorganization: How Far Has VA Come? (Serial No. 110-47)
- September 27, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Grant and Per Diem Program. (Serial No. 110-48)
- October 3, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Funding the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs of the Future. (Serial No. 110-49)
- October 4, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Research Programs. (Serial No. 110-50)
- October 9, 2007. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Field Hearing. New Windsor, New York. Personal Costs of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Claims Backlog. (Serial No. 110-51)
- October 10, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Findings of the Veterans Disability Benefits Commission. (Serial No. 110-52)
- October 16, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Disability Claims Ratings and Benefits Disparities within the Veterans Benefits Administration. (Serial No. 110-53)
- October 17, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Long-Term Costs of Current Conflicts. (Serial No. 110-54)
- October 18, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Healthcare Professionals - Recruitment and Retention. (Serial No. 110-55)
- October 18, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Updating the Montgomery G.I. Bill. (Serial No. 110-56)
- October 24, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Sharing of Electronic Medical Records between the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs. (Serial No. 110-57)
- October 25, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Markup. Markup of H.R. 513 and H.R. 3882.
- October 25, 2007. OPEN. 2:15 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Oversight of the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans Employment Training Service (VETS), Disabled Veteran Outreach Program (DVOP) and Local Veterans Employment Representative Program (LVOP). (Serial No. 110-58)
- November 1, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Construction Process. (Serial No. 110-59)
- November 7, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 3882.
- November 8, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 3047, H.R. 3249, H.R. 3286, H.R. 3415, H.R. 1137, H.R. 3954, and H.R. 4084. (Serial No. 110-60)
- December 12, 2007. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. Stopping Suicides: Mental Health Challenges Within the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. (Serial No. 110-61)
- December 12, 2007. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Joint Subcommittee on Health and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. Outpatient Waiting Times. (Serial No. 110-62)
- January 17, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon, Legislative Hearing on H.R. 2790, H.R. 3458, H.R. 3819, H.R. 4053, H.R. 4107, H.R. 4146, H.R. 4204, and H.R. 4231. (Serial No. 110-63)
- January 17, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Legislative Hearing on Review of Pending Montgomery G.I. Bill Legislation:

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- H.R. 1102, H.R. 1211, H.R. 1214, H.R. 2247, H.R. 2385, H.R. 2702, and H.R. 2910. (Serial No. 110-64)
- January 29, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. VA Credentialing and Privileging: A Patient Safety Issue. (Serial No. 110-65)
- January 29, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. The Use of Artificial Intelligence to Improve the VA's Claims Processing System. (Serial No. 110-66)
- February 7, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Full Committee. Hearing. The Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2009. (Serial No. 110-67)
- February 13, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Review of Expiring Programs. (Serial No. 110-68)
- February 13, 2008. OPEN. 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Room 210 Cannon. VA FY 2009 Budget - Office of the Inspector General and Office of Information and Technology. (Serial No. 110-69)
- February 14, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Examining the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Claims Processing System. (Serial No. 110-70)
- February 26, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Schedule for Rating Disabilities. (Serial No. 110-71)
- February 27, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. VA Construction Authorization. (Serial No. 110-72)
- February 28, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Mental Health Treatment for Families: Supporting Those Who Support Our Veterans. (Serial No. 110-73)
- February 28, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Subprime Mortgage Crisis and America's Veterans. (Serial No. 110-74)
- March 4, 2008. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 216 Senate Hart. The Legislative Priorities of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- March 4, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. The Legislative Priorities of the Disabled American Veterans.
- March 6, 2008. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 345 Cannon. The Legislative Priorities of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Blinded Veterans Association, Vietnam Veterans of America, Non Commissioned Officers Association, Air Force Sergeants Association, and American Ex-Prisoners of War.
- March 11, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Substance Abuse/Comorbid Disorders: Comprehensive Solutions to a Complex Problem. (Serial No. 110-75)
- March 13, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Care of Seriously Wounded After Inpatient Care. (Serial No. 110-76)
- March 13, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. U.S. Paralympic Military Program. (Serial No. 110-77)
- April 1, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. PTSD Treatment and Research: Moving Ahead Toward Recovery. (Serial No. 110-78)
- April 2, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Related Vision Issues (Serial No. 110-79)
- April 3, 2008. OPEN. 9:30 a.m. House and Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. Joint Hearing. Room 216 Senate Hart. The Legislative Priorities of the AMVETS, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Gold Star Wives, Fleet Reserve Association, The Retired Enlisted Association, Military Officers Association of America, National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs.
- April 9, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Ending Homelessness for Our Nation's Veterans. (Serial No. 110-80)
- April 10, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on Veterans Disability Benefits Claims Modernization Act of 2008(H.R. 5892). (Serial No. 110-81)
- April 15, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 2818, H.R. 5554, H.R. 5595, H.R. 5622, H.R. 5729, H.R. 5730. (Serial No. 110-82)
- April 16, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 4883, H.R. 4884, H.R. 4889, H.R. 4539, H.R. 3646, H.R. 5664, H.R. 3798, H.R. 3393, H.R. 3298, H.R. 3467, H.R. 3889, H.R. 3681, H.R. 5684. (Serial No. 110-83)
- April 21, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Field Hearing. Sanford, Maine. Women, Rural and Special Needs Veterans. (Serial No. 110-84)
- April 23, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Markup. Room 340 Cannon. Markup of H.R. 5684, H.R. 4884, H.R. 4883, H.R. 4889, H.R. 3681, H.R. 3889, and H.R. 5664.
- April 23, 2008. OPEN. 2:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2790, H.R. 3819, H.R. 5729, H.R. 5554, and H.R. 5856.
- April 24, 2008. OPEN. 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Markup. Room 340 Cannon. Markup of H.R. 5892.
- April 30, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2790, H.R. 3819, H.R. 5729, H.R. 5554, H.R. 5856, H.R. 3681, H.R. 3889, H.R. 4883, H.R. 4884, H.R. 4889, H.R. 5664, H.R. 5684, H.R. 5826, and H.R. 5892.
- May 2, 2008. OPEN. 12:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Field Hearing. Colorado

HEARINGS AND EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

- Springs, Colorado. Is the VA Cemetery Construction Policy Meeting the Needs of Today's Veterans and their Families? (Serial No. 110-85)
- May 6, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. The Truth about Veterans' Suicides. (Serial No. 110-86)
- May 16, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Field Hearing. South Bend, Indiana. Transition Assistance Program for Guard and Reserve Forces. (Serial 110-87)
- May 22, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Human Resources Challenges within the Veterans Health Administration. (Serial No. 110-88)
- May 22, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Examining the Effectiveness of VBA Outreach Efforts. (Serial No. 110-89)
- June 5, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 2818 and H.R. 2192.
- June 5, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 4089, H.R. 4463, H.R. 5888, H.R. 6114, and H.R. 6112. (Serial No. 110-90)
- June 11, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Approve Subcommittee Membership and Markup of H.R. 2818.
- June 11, 2008. OPEN. 10:15 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Implementing the Wounded Warrior Provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008. (Serial No. 110-91)
- June 12, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 1197, H.R. 3008, H.R. 3795, H.R. 4274, H.R. 5155, H.R. 5448, H.R. 5454, H.R. 5709, H.R. 5954, H.R. 5985, and H.R. 6032. (Serial No. 110-92)
- June 19, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 2721, H.R. 3786, H.R. 6070, H.R. 4255, H.R. 6221, H.R. 6224, H.R. 6225, and H.R. 6272. (Serial No. 110-93)
- June 24, 2008. OPEN. 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. VA/DoD Cooperation in Reintegration of National Guard and Reserves. (Serial No. 110-94)
- June 26, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Legislative Hearing on Draft Legislation. (Serial No. 110-95)
- June 26, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Markup. Markup of H.R. 6225, H.R. 6224, H.R. 6221, H.R. 6272, H.R. 4255, H.R. 6070, H.R. 2910, H.R. 3298, and H.R. 2721.
- July 9, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Approve Subcommittee Membership.
- July 9, 2008. OPEN. 10:10 a.m. Full Committee. Hearing. Why Does the VA Continue to Give a Suicide-Inducing Drug to Veterans with PTSD? (Serial No. 110-96)
- July 10, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Markup. Markup of H.R. 1527, H.R. 6114, H.R. 6122, H.R. 6366, H.R. 6439, and H.R. 6445.
- July 10, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Independent Living. (Serial No. 110-97)
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- July 16, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Markup of H.R. 6445, H.R. 1527, H.R. 2192, H.R. 4255, H.R. 6225, H.R. 6221, and H.R. 674.
- July 28, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Field Hearing. Rapid City, South Dakota. Transitional Assistance Program. (Serial No. 110-99)
- July 30, 2008. CLOSED. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. Commission on the Future for America's Veterans.
- July 31, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Hearing. Billions Spent on "Miscellaneous" Expenditures: Inadequate Controls at the VA. (Serial No. 110-100)
- August 18, 2008. OPEN. 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Field Hearing. Bentonville, Arkansas. Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) Issues. (Serial No. 110-101)
- September 9, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Legislative Hearing on H.R. 3051, H.R. 6153, and H.R. 6629. (Serial No. 110-102)
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- September 11, 2008. OPEN. 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Oversight of G.I. Bill Implementation. (Serial No. 110-103)
- September 16, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Health. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. VA Suicide Hotline. (Serial No. 110-104)
- September 17, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Markup. Room 210 Cannon. Markup of H.R. 6897.
- September 18, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearing. Room 340 Cannon. Examining the Effectiveness of the Veterans Benefits Administration's Training, Performance Management and Accountability. (Serial No. 110-105)
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Oversight Hearing on G.I. Bill Implementation. (Serial No. 110-107)

November 18, 2008. OPEN. 10:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. Hearing. VA Short and Long-Term Strategies for Implementing New G.I. Bill Requirements. (Serial No. 110-108)

November 19, 2008. OPEN. 10:00 a.m. Full Committee. Meeting. CRISIS: The VA Shreds Veterans' Confidence.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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ACKERMAN, Gary L. of New York

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

ADERHOLT, Robert B. of Alabama

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- 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.
- H.R. 5736 *** To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

AKAKA, Daniel K. of Hawaii

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- S. 3013 *** 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.

AKIN, W. Todd of Missouri

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

ALEXANDER, Rodney of Louisiana

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- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

ALLEN, Thomas H. of Maine

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ALTMIRE, Jason of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

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- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

ALTMIRE, Jason of Pennsylvania—Continued

- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
H.Con.Res. 336 * Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ANDREWS, Robert E. of New Jersey

- 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.
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.
H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.

ARCURI, Michael A. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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

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ARCURI, Michael A. of New York—Continued

- 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.
- H.Res. 946 Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.
- H.Res. 1231 Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

BACA, Joe of California

- H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 538 To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 2514 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237 * Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 963 Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231 Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1291 Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.
- 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.

BACHMANN, Michele of Minnesota

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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BACHUS, Spencer T. III of Alabama

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

BAIRD, Brian of Washington

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.

BAKER, Richard H. of Louisiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BALDWIN, Tammy of Wisconsin

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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BALDWIN, Tammy of Wisconsin—Continued

- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

BARRETT, J. Gresham of South Carolina

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.

BARROW, John of Georgia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

BARTLETT, Roscoe G. of Maryland

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BARTLETT, Roscoe G. of Maryland—Continued

- 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").
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BARTON, Joe of Texas

- 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.
- 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".

- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1291** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

BERKLEY, Shelley of Nevada

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1272 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1471** To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 assaultants, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

BERMAN, Howard L. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

BERRY, Marion of Arkansas

- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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BIGGERT, Judy of Illinois

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

BILBRAY, Brian P. of California

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

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- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 1197 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1098** Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

BINGAMAN, Jeff of New Mexico

- S. 229** To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".
- S. 2162** 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.

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BISHOP, Rob of Utah

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BISHOP, Sanford D. Jr. of Georgia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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BISHOP, Sanford D. Jr. of Georgia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

BISHOP, Timothy H. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

BLACKBURN, Marsha of Tennessee

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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BLACKBURN, Marsha of Tennessee—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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".
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

BLUMENAUER, Earl of Oregon

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2239** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

BLUNT, Roy of Missouri

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

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BOEHNER, John A. of Ohio

- 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.
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- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

BONNER, Jo of Alabama

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 5736** To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

BONO MACK, Mary of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BOOZMAN, John of Arkansas

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

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BOOZMAN, John of Arkansas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2239 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

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BORDALLO, Madeleine Z. of Guam

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

BOREN, Dan of Oklahoma

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

BOSWELL, Leonard L. of Iowa

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

BOUSTANY, Charles W. Jr. of Louisiana

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- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
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H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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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.

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BOYDA, Nancy E. of Kansas

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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.

H.R. 1527 To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

BRADY, Robert A. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 513 *** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
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BRALEY, Bruce L. of Iowa

- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

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- H.R. 2899** To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located at 417 West 4th Avenue in Albany, Georgia, as the "Walter Carl Jordan, Jr. Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

BROWN-WAITE, Ginny of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

BROWN, Corrine of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- H.R. 2681 *** To provide for the maintenance, management, and availability for research of assets of the Air Force Health Study.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.

BROWN, Henry E. Jr. of South Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.
- 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.

BUCHANAN, Vern of Florida

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.

BURGESS, Michael C. of Texas

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116 *** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

BURR, Richard of North Carolina

- S. 2162** 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.

BURTON, Dan of Indiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.

BUTTERFIELD, G. K. of North Carolina

- 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.

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BUTTERFIELD, G. K. of North Carolina—Continued

- H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

BUYER, Steve of Indiana

- H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527 To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6225 To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer.

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BUYER, Steve of Indiana—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6430 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to the health professional scholarship program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937 *** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.

CALVERT, Ken of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

CAMP, Dave of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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CAMPBELL, John of California

- 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.
- 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.

CANNON, Chris of Utah

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 7299 *** To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

CANTOR, Eric of Virginia

- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

CAPITO, Shelley Moore of West Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CAPITO, Shelley Moore of West Virginia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.

CAPPS, Lois of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

CAPUANO, Michael E. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CARDOZA, Dennis A. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

CARNAHAN, Russ of Missouri

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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CARNAHAN, Russ of Missouri—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

CARNEY, Christopher P. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2239** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

CARSON, Andre of Indiana

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.

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- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4229** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CARSON, Julia of Indiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

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- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

CARTER, John R. of Texas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070 *** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680 *** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

CASTLE, Michael N. of Delaware

- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

CAZAYOUX, Donald J. Jr. of Louisiana

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

CHABOT, Steve of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CHANDLER, Ben of Kentucky

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

CHILDERS, Travis of Mississippi

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

CHRISTENSEN, Donna M. of Virgin Islands

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

CLARKE, Yvette D. of New York

- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CLAY, Wm. Lacy of Missouri

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3467 To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335 Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

CLEAVER, Emanuel of Missouri

- H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562 To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.

CLINTON, Hillary Rodham of New York

- S. 2162 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.

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- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

COBLE, Howard of North Carolina

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
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COHEN, Steve of Tennessee

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3467** To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

COLE, Tom of Oklahoma

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

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COLE, Tom of Oklahoma—Continued

- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

COLLINS, Susan M. of Maine

- S. 2162** 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.

CONAWAY, K. Michael of Texas

- 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".
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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CONYERS, John Jr. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

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CONYERS, John Jr. of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

COOPER, Jim of Tennessee

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

COSTA, Jim of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

COSTELLO, Jerry F. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

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COSTELLO, Jerry F. of Illinois—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

COURTNEY, Joe of Connecticut

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

COURTNEY, Joe of Connecticut—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

CRAMER, Robert E. (Bud) Jr. of Alabama

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 5736** To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.
- 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.
- 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.

CRENSHAW, Ander of Florida

- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CROWLEY, Joseph of New York

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

CUBIN, Barbara of Wyoming

- 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.
- 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.

CUELLAR, Henry of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

CULBERSON, John Abney of Texas

- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.

CULBERSON, John Abney of Texas—Continued

- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
H.Res. 680 Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

CUMMINGS, Elijah E. of Maryland

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
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.
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.
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.
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.
H.R. 2189 To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
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.
H.R. 2514 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
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.
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.
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.

- 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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.

DAVIS, Artur of Alabama

- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
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.
H.R. 5736 To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.
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.
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.
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.
H.Res. 237 Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

DAVIS, Danny K. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DAVIS, David of Tennessee

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- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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".
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DAVIS, Geoff of Kentucky

- 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.
- 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.
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DAVIS, Jo Ann of Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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DAVIS, Lincoln of Tennessee

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- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
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- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

DAVIS, Susan A. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054 *** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DAVIS, Tom of Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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".

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- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DEFAZIO, Peter A. of Oregon

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

DEGETTE, Diana of Colorado

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 1323** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.

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- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

DELAHUNT, William D. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189 *** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
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DENT, Charles W. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.R. 6114** To amend the Veterans' Benefits and Services Act of 1988 relating to testing for infection with the human immunodeficiency virus.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

DIAZ-BALART, Lincoln of Florida

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

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- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
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- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

DICKS, Norman D. of Washington

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

DINGELL, John D. of Michigan

- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

DOGGETT, Lloyd of Texas

- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

DOLE, Elizabeth H. of North Carolina

- S. 2162** 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.

DOMENICI, Pete V. of New Mexico

- S. 229 *** To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

DONNELLY, Joe of Indiana

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 3210 *** To provide medical care and other benefits for members and former members of the Armed Forces with severe injuries or illnesses.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DOOLITTLE, John T. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

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DOOLITTLE, John T. of California—Continued

- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

DOYLE, Michael F. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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DOYLE, Michael F. of Pennsylvania—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6114 *** To amend the Veterans' Benefits and Services Act of 1988 relating to testing for infection with the human immunodeficiency virus.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

DRAKE, Thelma D. of Virginia

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.

DREIER, David of California

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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DREIER, David of California—Continued

- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

DUNCAN, John J. Jr. of Tennessee

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

EDWARDS, Chet of Texas

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

EHLERS, Vernon J. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

EHLERS, Vernon J. of Michigan—Continued

H.Res. 1335 Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

ELLISON, Keith of Minnesota

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2239** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237 Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

ELLSWORTH, Brad of Indiana

- H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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

EMANUEL, Rahm of Illinois

- H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

EMERSON, Jo Ann of Missouri

- H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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EMERSON, Jo Ann of Missouri—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

ENGEL, Eliot L. of New York

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 4229** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ENGLISH, Phil of Pennsylvania

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

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ENGLISH, Phil of Pennsylvania—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

ENSIGN, John of Nevada

- S. 2162** 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.

ESHOO, Anna G. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

ETHERIDGE, Bob of North Carolina

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

ETHERIDGE, Bob of North Carolina—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 2514 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963 Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1335 Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

EVERETT, Terry of Alabama

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

FALEOMAVAEGA, Eni F.H. of American Samoa

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237 Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

FALLIN, Mary of Oklahoma

- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

FALLIN, Mary of Oklahoma—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.

FARR, Sam of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 7046 *** To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct a new community-based outpatient clinic at Ord Military Community, California.

FATTAH, Chaka of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

FEENEY, Tom of Florida

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

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

FERGUSON, Mike of New Jersey

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

FILNER, Bob of California

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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
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- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1471 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- H.R. 4229** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1098 *** Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

H.Con.Res. 336 Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

FLAKE, Jeff of Arizona

- 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.
- 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.

FORBES, J. Randy of Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

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FORTENBERRY, Jeff of Nebraska

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

FORTUNO, Luis G. of Puerto Rico

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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FORTUNO, Luis G. of Puerto Rico—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.
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- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 5947** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

FOSTER, Bill of Illinois

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

FOXX, Virginia of North Carolina

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

FRANK, Barney of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.

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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
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- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
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- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
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GINGREY, Phil of Georgia

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- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

GONZALEZ, Charles A. of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

GOODE, Virgil H. Jr. of Virginia

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1471** To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

GOODLATTE, Bob of Virginia

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

GOODLATTE, Bob of Virginia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

GORDON, Bart of Tennessee

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

GORDON, Bart of Tennessee—Continued

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

GRANGER, Kay of Texas

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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

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.

GRAVES, Sam of Missouri

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

GREEN, Al of Texas

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

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.

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- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

GUTIERREZ, Luis V. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

GUTIERREZ, Luis V. of Illinois—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

HALL, John J. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1444 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4229 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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HALL, John J. of New York—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6272** To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HALL, Ralph M. of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

HARE, Phil of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- 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.

- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HARMAN, Jane of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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".
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 2540** To amend title 38, United States 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HAYES, Robin of North Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".

HAYES, Robin of North Carolina—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

HELLER, Dean of Nevada

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HENSARLING, Jeb of Texas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.

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HENSARLING, Jeb of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

HERGER, Wally of California

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HERSETH SANDLIN, Stephanie of South Dakota

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1315** * To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HERSETH SANDLIN, Stephanie of South Dakota—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6225 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HIGGINS, Brian of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HIGGINS, Brian of New York—Continued

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

HILL, Baron P. of Indiana

- H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HINCHEY, Maurice D. of New York

- H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189 To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514 To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.

HINCHEY, Maurice D. of New York—Continued

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HINOJOSA, Ruben of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

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HINOJOSA, Ruben of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HIRONO, Mazie K. of Hawaii

- 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.
- 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.
- 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").

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HIRONO, Mazie K. of Hawaii—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HOBSON, David L. of Ohio

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HODES, Paul W. of New Hampshire

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 2192 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1335 *** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HOEKSTRA, Peter of Michigan

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

HOEKSTRA, Peter of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

HOLDEN, Tim of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HOLT, Rush D. of New Jersey

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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

HONDA, Michael M. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

HOOLEY, Darlene of Oregon

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

HOYER, Steny H. of Maryland

- 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.
- 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.

HULSHOF, Kenny C. of Missouri

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

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HUNTER, Duncan of California

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

INGLIS, Bob of South Carolina

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

INHOFE, James M. of Oklahoma

- S. 2162** 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.

INOUYE, Daniel K. of Hawaii

- S. 3013** 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.

INSLEE, Jay of Washington

- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.

ISAKSON, Johnny of Georgia

- S. 1396 *** To authorize a major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

ISRAEL, Steve of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

ISSA, Darrell E. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

JACKSON-LEE, Sheila of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3467** To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

JACKSON, Jesse L. Jr. of Illinois

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

JEFFERSON, William J. of Louisiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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JEFFERSON, William J. of Louisiana—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

JINDAL, Bobby of Louisiana

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

JOHNSON, Eddie Bernice of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2239** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for vocational rehabilitation benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

JOHNSON, Eddie Bernice of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

JOHNSON, Henry C. "Hank" Jr. of Georgia

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

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

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JOHNSON, Henry C. "Hank" Jr. of Georgia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

JOHNSON, Sam of Texas

- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

JOHNSON, Timothy V. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

JONES, Stephanie Tubbs of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

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JONES, Walter B. of North Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

JORDAN, Jim of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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KAGEN, Steve of Wisconsin

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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- H.R. 4229** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

KANJORSKI, Paul E. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

KAPTUR, Marcy of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

KELLER, Ric of Florida

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

KENNEDY, Patrick J. of Rhode Island

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

KILDEE, Dale E. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

KILPATRICK, Carolyn C. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

KILPATRICK, Carolyn C. of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

KIND, Ron of Wisconsin

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

KING, Peter T. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 5947 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.R. 6272** To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

KING, Steve of Iowa

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

KINGSTON, Jack of Georgia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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

KIRK, Mark Steven of Illinois

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

KLEIN, Ron of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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KLEIN, Ron of Florida—Continued

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

KLIN, John of Minnesota

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

KNOLLENBERG, Joe of Michigan

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

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KNOLLENBERG, Joe of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

KUCINICH, Dennis J. of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

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

KUHL, John R. "Randy" Jr. of New York

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1382 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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KUHL, John R. "Randy" Jr. of New York—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 5947** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 946 *** Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

LAHOOD, Ray of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

LAHOOD, Ray of Illinois—Continued

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.

LAMBORN, Doug of Colorado

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

H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

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.

H.R. 1660 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.

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".

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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".

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

H.Res. 237 Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

H.Res. 392 * Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers.

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

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.

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

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.

LAMPSON, Nick of Texas

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.

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.

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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

LANGEVIN, James R. of Rhode Island

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

LANTOS, Tom of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

LARSEN, Rick of Washington

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

LARSON, John B. of Connecticut

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

LATHAM, Tom of Iowa

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- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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".

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

LATOURETTE, Steven C. of Ohio

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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.

LATTA, Robert E. of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

LEE, Barbara of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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LEVIN, Carl of Michigan

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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

LEWIS, Jerry of California

- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
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LEWIS, Ron of Kentucky

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- 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.
- 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.
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LIPINSKI, Daniel William of Illinois

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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
 - 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.
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 - 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.
 - 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.
 - H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
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 - 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.
 - 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.
 - 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.
 - 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.
 - 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.

- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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LOWEY, Nita M. of New York

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- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1444** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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LOWEY, Nita M. of New York—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

LUCAS, Frank D. of Oklahoma

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

LUNGREN, Daniel E. of California

- 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.
- 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.
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LYNCH, Stephen F. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MACK, Connie of Florida

- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
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MAHONEY, Tim of Florida

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

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H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

H.R. 2189 To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

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

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.

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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.

H.R. 4204 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

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.

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H.Res. 1054 Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

MANZULLO, Donald A. of Illinois

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H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

MARCHANT, Kenny of Texas

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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.

MARKEY, Edward J. of Massachusetts

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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.

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.

MARSHALL, Jim of Georgia

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.

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.

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.

H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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.

H.R. 1527 To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

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".

H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MATHESON, Jim of Utah

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

MATSUI, Doris O. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

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MATSUI, Doris O. of California—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MCCARTHY, Carolyn of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 5947** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.

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MCCARTHY, Carolyn of New York—Continued

- 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.
- 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.

MCCARTHY, Kevin of California

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

MCCAUL, Michael T. of Texas

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

MCCOLLUM, Betty of Minnesota

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.

MCCOLLUM, Betty of Minnesota—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2179** To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MCCOTTER, Thaddeus G. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1382** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

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MCCOTTER, Thaddeus G. of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MCCRERY, Jim of Louisiana

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

MCDERMOTT, Jim of Washington

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

MCDERMOTT, Jim of Washington—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MCGOVERN, James P. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

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MC GOVERN, James P. of Massachusetts—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MC HENRY, Patrick T. of North Carolina

- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

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MCHUGH, John M. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 946** Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.

MCINTYRE, Mike of North Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 1272** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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MCINTYRE, Mike of North Carolina—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MCKEON, Howard P. "Buck" of California

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

MCMORRIS RODGERS, Cathy of Washington

- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

MCNERNEY, Jerry of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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MCNERNEY, Jerry of California—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.

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MCNULTY, Michael R. of New York

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

MEEHAN, Martin T. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
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- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MEEKS, Gregory W. of New York

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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MELANCON, Charlie of Louisiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

MELANCON, Charlie of Louisiana—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

MICA, John L. of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

MICHAUD, Michael H. of Maine

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6114** To amend the Veterans' Benefits and Services Act of 1988 relating to testing for infection with the human immunodeficiency virus.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MIKULSKI, Barbara A. of Maryland

- S. 2162** 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.

MILLER, Brad of North Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

MILLER, Candice S. of Michigan

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
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- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MILLER, Gary G. of California

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H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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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.

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.

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.

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.

MILLER, Jeff of Florida

H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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.

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.

H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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

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.

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.

H.R. 1527 To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

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.

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.

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".

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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MILLER, Jeff of Florida—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

MITCHELL, Harry E. of Arizona

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
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- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

MOLLOHAN, Alan B. of West Virginia

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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.

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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").

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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.

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MOORE, Gwen of Wisconsin

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H.R. 797 To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

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.

H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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".

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

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MOORE, Gwen of Wisconsin—Continued

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
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MORAN, James P. of Virginia

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
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MORAN, Jerry of Kansas

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.

MURKOWSKI, Lisa of Alaska

- S. 3013** 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.

MURPHY, Christopher S. of Connecticut

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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MURPHY, Patrick J. of Pennsylvania

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- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
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MURPHY, Tim of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
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- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

MUSGRAVE, Marilyn N. of Colorado

- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- 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.
- H.R. 1323** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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".
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
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- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

MYRICK, Sue Wilkins of North Carolina

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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MYRICK, Sue Wilkins of North Carolina—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

NADLER, Jerrold of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.

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

NAPOLITANO, Grace F. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.

NAPOLITANO, Grace F. of California—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 7299** To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1291** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

NEAL, Richard E. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

NEUGEBAUER, Randy of Texas

- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

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NEUGEBAUER, Randy of Texas—Continued

- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

NORTON, Eleanor Holmes of District of Columbia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

NORWOOD, Charles W. of Georgia

- 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.

NUNES, Devin of California

- 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.
- 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.

OBERSTAR, James L. of Minnesota

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

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OBERSTAR, James L. of Minnesota—Continued

- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

OBEY, David R. of Wisconsin

- 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".
- 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.

OLVER, John W. of Massachusetts

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

ORTIZ, Solomon P. of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- H.R. 538 *** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.

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ORTIZ, Solomon P. of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1291** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.
- 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.

PALLONE, Frank Jr. of New Jersey

- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60 *** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

PASCRELL, Bill Jr. of New Jersey

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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

PAUL, Ron of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- H.R. 1471** To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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PAYNE, Donald M. of New Jersey

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

PEARCE, Stevan of New Mexico

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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PEARCE, Stevan of New Mexico—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.

PENCE, Mike of Indiana

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

PERLMUTTER, Ed of Colorado

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 1323** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

PETERSON, Collin C. of Minnesota

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1214** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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PETERSON, Collin C. of Minnesota—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

PETERSON, John E. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PETRI, Thomas E. of Wisconsin

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.

PICKERING, Charles W. "Chip" Jr. of Mississippi

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PITTS, Joseph R. of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.

PITTS, Joseph R. of Pennsylvania—Continued

- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

PLATTS, Todd Russell of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1382** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

POE, Ted of Texas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

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POE, Ted of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

POMEROY, Earl of North Dakota

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- H.R. 2540 *** To amend title 38, United States 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PORTER, Jon C. of Nevada

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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PORTER, Jon C. of Nevada—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

PRICE, David E. of North Carolina

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PRICE, Tom of Georgia

- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4143** To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project in Atlanta, Georgia.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PRYCE, Deborah of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.

PRYCE, Deborah of Ohio—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

PUTNAM, Adam H. of Florida

- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

RADANOVICH, George P. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RAHALL, Nick J. II of West Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

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RAHALL, Nick J. II of West Virginia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- RAMSTAD, Jim of Minnesota**
- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 1214 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RANGEL, Charles B. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3210** To provide medical care and other benefits for members and former members of the Armed Forces with severe injuries or illnesses.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

REGULA, Ralph of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.

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REGULA, Ralph of Ohio—Continued

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.

REHBERG, Dennis R. of Montana

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.

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".

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.

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.

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.

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

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

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

REICHERT, David G. of Washington

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.

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.

H.R. 1632 * To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

RENZI, Rick of Arizona

H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

REYES, Silvestre of Texas

H.R. 23 To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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.

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REYES, Silvestre of Texas—Continued

- 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.
- 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").
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics or the Board of Orthotics and Prosthetic Certification, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1291** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

REYNOLDS, Thomas M. of New York

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

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REYNOLDS, Thomas M. of New York—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 5947** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

RICHARDSON, Laura of California

- 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.
- 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.

ROCKEFELLER, John D. IV of West Virginia

- S. 2162** 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.

RODRIGUEZ, Ciro D. of Texas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RODRIGUEZ, *Ciro D. of Texas*—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963 *** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1291 *** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

ROGERS, *Harold of Kentucky*

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

ROGERS, *Mike of Alabama*

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 5736** To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.
- 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.

ROGERS, Mike of Alabama—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ROHRBACHER, Dana of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

ROS-LEHTINEN, Ileana of Florida

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

ROSKAM, Peter J. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 60** Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

ROSS, Mike of Arkansas

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ROTHMAN, Steven R. of New Jersey

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 assaultants, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

ROYBAL-ALLARD, Lucille of California

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- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
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- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

ROYCE, Edward R. of California

- 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.
- 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.

- 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.

- 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.

RUPPERSBERGER, C. A. Dutch of Maryland

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RUSH, Bobby L. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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RUSH, Bobby L. of Illinois—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

RYAN, Paul of Wisconsin

- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.

RYAN, Tim of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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SALAZAR, John T. of Colorado

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 538** To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1323 *** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 1660 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1291** Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

SALI, Bill of Idaho

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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SALI, Bill of Idaho—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 367 *** Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

SANCHEZ, Linda T. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.

SANCHEZ, Loretta of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

SARBANES, John P. of Maryland

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

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

SAXTON, Jim of New Jersey

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

SCALISE, Steve of Louisiana

- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SCHAKOWSKY, Janice D. of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SCHIFF, Adam B. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.

SCHIFF, Adam B. of California—Continued

- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

SCHMIDT, Jean of Ohio

- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

SCHWARTZ, Allyson Y. of Pennsylvania

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SCOTT, David of Georgia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

SCOTT, Robert C. "Bobby" of Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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SCOTT, Robert C. "Bobby" of Virginia—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SENSENBRENNER, F. James JR. of Wisconsin

- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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".
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

SERRANO, Jose E. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6494** To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

SESSIONS, Jeff of Alabama

- S. 2162** 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.

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SESSIONS, Pete of Texas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

SESTAK, Joe of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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

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SESTAK, Joe of Pennsylvania—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.

SHADEGG, John B. of Arizona

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

SHAYS, Christopher of Connecticut

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
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- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

SHULER, Heath of North Carolina

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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SHUSTER, Bill of Pennsylvania

- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

SIMPSON, Michael K. of Idaho

- 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.
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- 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.

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- 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.
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- 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.
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SKELTON, Ike of Missouri

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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SLAUGHTER, Louise McIntosh of New York

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- 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SMITH, Adrian of Nebraska

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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SMITH, Christopher H. of New Jersey

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3467** To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

SMITH, Gordon of Oregon

- S. 2162** 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.

SMITH, Lamar of Texas

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

SNYDER, Vic of Arkansas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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H.Res. 1054 Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

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

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.

H.Con.Res. 336 Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SOLIS, Hilda L. of California

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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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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.

H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SPACE, Zachary T. of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645 *** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4229** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

SPEIER, Jackie of California

- 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.
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- 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.

SPRATT, John M. Jr. of South Carolina

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- 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.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- 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.
- 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.

STABENOW, Debbie of Michigan

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

STEARNS, Cliff of Florida

- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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STEVENS, Ted of Alaska

- S. 2162** 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.
- S. 3013** 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.

STUPAK, Bart of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- 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".

SULLIVAN, John of Oklahoma

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- 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.

SUTTON, Betty of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

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- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

TANCREDO, Thomas G. of Colorado

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- H.R. 1323** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

TANNER, John S. of Tennessee

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

TAUSCHER, Ellen O. of California

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- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

TAYLOR, Gene of Mississippi

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.

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

TERRY, Lee of Nebraska

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

TERRY, Lee of Nebraska—Continued

- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

THOMPSON, Bennie G. of Mississippi

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

THOMPSON, Mike of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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THOMPSON, Mike of California—Continued

- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

THORBERRY, Mac of Texas

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.R. 6562** To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to presumptions of exposure for veterans who served in the vicinity of Vietnam.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

TIAHRT, Todd of Kansas

- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

TIBERI, Patrick J. of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

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- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

TOWNS, Edolphus of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
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- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- H.Res. 963** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

TSONGAS, Niki of Massachusetts

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

TURNER, Michael R. of Ohio

- 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.
- 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.

TURNER, Michael R. of Ohio—Continued

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

UDALL, Mark of Colorado

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 295** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1323** To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.
- 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.
- H.R. 1660** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

UDALL, Tom of New Mexico

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

UDALL, Tom of New Mexico—Continued

- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1220 *** Honoring the lives of Dr. Victor Westphall and Mrs. Jeanne Westphall and their contributions to the Nation's veterans.

UPTON, Fred S. of Michigan

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

VAN HOLLEN, Chris of Maryland

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

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VAN HOLLEN, Chris of Maryland—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

VELAZQUEZ, Nydia M. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

VISCLOSKY, Peter J. of Indiana

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 3249** To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.

WALBERG, Timothy of Michigan

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

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WALBERG, Timothy of Michigan—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WALDEN, Greg of Oregon

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

WALSH, James T. of New York

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

WALZ, Timothy J. of Minnesota

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.

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WALZ, Timothy J. of Minnesota—Continued

- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 1197** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2179 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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WALZ, Timothy J. of Minnesota—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6937** To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

WAMP, Zach of Tennessee

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Debbie of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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".
- 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".

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WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Debbie of Florida—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

WATERS, Maxine of California

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WATSON, Diane E. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WATT, Melvin L. of North Carolina

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".

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WATT, Melvin L. of North Carolina—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WAXMAN, Henry A. of California

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

WEINER, Anthony D. of New York

- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WELCH, Peter of Vermont

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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WELCH, Peter of Vermont—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4204** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.R. 6272 *** To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.
- H.Res. 237** Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

WELDON, Dave of Florida

- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.

WELLER, Jerry of Illinois

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WESTMORELAND, Lynn A. of Georgia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

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WESTMORELAND, Lynn A. of Georgia—Continued

- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

WEXLER, Robert of Florida

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- 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.
- 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").
- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 2189** To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3645** To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.

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WEXLER, Robert of Florida—Continued

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

WHITFIELD, Ed of Kentucky

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- H.Res. 1335** Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

WICKER, Roger F. of Mississippi

- 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".
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

WILSON, Charles A. of Ohio

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 1632** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.
- 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.

WILSON, Heather of New Mexico

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1054** Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

WILSON, Joe of South Carolina

- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 6070** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.
- H.R. 7317 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

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- H.R. 7318 *** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

WITTMAN, Robert J. of Virginia

- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Con.Res. 336** Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

WOLF, Frank R. of Virginia

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 4116** To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

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WOOLSEY, Lynn C. of California

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H.R. 327 To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

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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").

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

H.R. 2189 To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2192 To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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- 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.
- 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.

WU, David of Oregon

- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 327** To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.
- H.R. 513** To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 3008 *** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

WYNN, Albert Russell of Maryland

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

YARMUTH, John A. of Kentucky

- 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.
- H.R. 797** To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.
- H.R. 2192** To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

YARMUTH, John A. of Kentucky—Continued

- H.R. 2514** To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.
- 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.
- H.R. 3467 *** To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

YOUNG, C.W. Bill of Florida

- 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.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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".
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.

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- H.R. 23** To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- H.R. 1527** To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.
- 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.
- 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".
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.
- H.Res. 680** Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.
- 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.
- H.Res. 1231** Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

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AGENT ORANGE

H.R. 6562 **July 22, 2008**

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

H.R. 6798 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

H.R. 650 **Jan. 24, 2007**

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.

B

BENEFICIARY TRAVEL

H.R. 963 **Feb. 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1472

Mar. 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 2795

June 20, 2007

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.

H.R. 6287

June 17, 2008

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.

H.R. 6695

July 31, 2008

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.

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Oct. 15, 2007

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.

BENEFITS AND COMPENSATION

H.R. 1284

Mar. 1, 2007

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.

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H.R. 1318 **Mar. 5, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1354 **Mar. 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1444 **Mar. 9, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make interim benefit payments under certain remanded claims, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1490 **Mar. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1732 **Mar. 28, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3070 **July 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3581 **Sept. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3794 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4052 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4219 **Nov. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5089 **Jan. 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5155 **Jan. 29, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5826 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6277 **June 17, 2008**

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.

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S. 2309 **Nov. 6, 2007**

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.

S. 2617 **Feb. 8, 2008**

To increase, effective as of December 1, 2008, 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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

BONUSES

H.R. 2292 **May 14, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4229 **Nov. 15, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.

CAREGIVERS

H.R. 2855 **June 25, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3051 **July 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3070 **July 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6439 **July 8, 2008**

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.

CEMETERIES AND MEMORIALS

H. Res. 392 **May 10, 2007**

Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers.

H. Res. 680 **Sept. 25, 2007**

Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

H. Res. 783 **Oct. 30, 2007**

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.

H. Con. Res. 106 **Mar. 29, 2007**

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.

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H.R. 295 **Jan. 5, 2007**

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

H.R. 358 **Jan. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1273 **Mar. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1660 **Mar. 22, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the southern Colorado region.

H.R. 2346 **May 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2551 **May 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2696 **June 13, 2007**

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

H.R. 3249 **July 31, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3415 **Aug. 3, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3954 **Oct. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4141 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4169 **Nov. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4171 **Nov. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4781 **Dec. 18, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5564 **Mar. 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6989 **Sept. 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7317 **Dec. 9, 2008**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

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H.R. 7318 Dec. 9, 2008

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

S. 3023 May 15, 2008

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

CHEMICAL EXPOSURE

H.R. 5954 May 1, 2008

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.

CHIROPRACTIC CARE

H.R. 1470 Mar. 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 1471 Mar. 12, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.

CLAIMS PROCESSING

H.R. 1435 Mar. 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 1864 Apr. 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 2257 May 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 2292 May 14, 2007

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.

H.R. 2434 May 22, 2007

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.

H.R. 3047 July 16, 2007

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.

H.R. 4084 Nov. 6, 2007

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.

H.R. 5089 Jan. 22, 2008

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.

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H.R. 5448 **Feb. 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5576 **Mar. 11, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5709 **Apr. 3, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5892 **Apr. 24, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6236 **June 11, 2008**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

COMMEMORATIVES

H. Res. 367 **May 2, 2007**

Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

H. Res. 790 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H. Res. 946 **Jan. 29, 2008**

Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.

H. Res. 963 **Feb. 7, 2008**

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes.

H. Res. 1054 **Mar. 14, 2008**

Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

H. Res. 1098 **Apr. 10, 2008**

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran.

H. Res. 1220 **May 22, 2008**

Honoring the lives of Dr. Victor Westphall and Mrs. Jeanne Westphall and their contributions to the Nation's veterans.

H. Res. 1287 **June 19, 2008**

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.

H. Res. 1291 **June 20, 2008**

Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary.

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H. Res. 1295 **June 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 4020 **Oct. 31, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4116 **Nov. 8, 2007**

To provide for the issuance of a veterans health care stamp.

COMMISSION ON CARE FOR AMERICA'S RETURNING WOUNDED WARRIORS

H. Res. 656 **Sept. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3502 **Sept. 7, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3645 **Sept. 24, 2007**

To implement recommendations of the President's Commission on Care for America's Returning Wounded Warriors.

CONTRACTING

H.R. 650 **Jan. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5623 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6221 **June 10, 2008**

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.

COPAYMENTS

H.R. 2623 **June 7, 2007**

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

H.R. 6445 **July 9, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled.

CREDIT PROTECTION

H.R. 3298 **Aug. 1, 2007**

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.

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H.R. 3786 Oct. 9, 2007

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H.R. 4883 Dec. 19, 2007

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.

H.R. 5148 Jan. 28, 2008

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.

H.R. 5155 Jan. 29, 2008

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.

H.R. 5857 Apr. 22, 2008

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.

S. 2658 Feb. 25, 2008

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend from 90 days to one year the period after release of a member from the Armed Forces from active duty during which the member is protected from mortgage foreclosure.

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DENTAL CARE

H.R. 5595 Mar. 12, 2008

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.

DEPENDENT BENEFITS AND COMPENSATION

H.R. 156 Jan. 4, 2007

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.

H.R. 402 Jan. 11, 2007

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.

H.R. 704 Jan. 29, 2007

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.

DISABLED VETERANS

H. Con. Res. 336 Apr. 29, 2008

Honoring the sacrifices and contributions made by disabled American veterans.

H.R. 2026 Apr. 25, 2007

To amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans.

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DISABLED VETERANS—Continued

H.R. 6445 **July 9, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled.

DUAL COMPENSATION

H.R. 303 **Jan. 5, 2007**

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.

H.R. 333 **Jan. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1436 **Mar. 9, 2007**

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.

E

ECO-FRIENDLY INITIATIVES

H.R. 6937 **Sept. 18, 2008**

To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

EDUCATION

H. Con. Res. 60 **Feb. 7, 2007**

Expressing support for the goals of Veterans Educate Today's Students (VETS) Day, and for other purposes.

H.R. 81 **Jan. 4, 2007**

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.

H.R. 112 **Jan. 4, 2007**

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

H.R. 1102 **Feb. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1211 **Feb. 27, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1214 **Feb. 27, 2007**

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

H.R. 1226 **Feb. 28, 2007**

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

H.R. 1240 **Feb. 28, 2007**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

EDUCATION—Continued

H.R. 1641 Mar. 22, 2007

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.

H.R. 1824 Mar. 29, 2007

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.

H.R. 1969 Apr. 19, 2007

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.

H.R. 2247 May 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 2385 May 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 2417 May 21, 2007

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.

H.R. 2702 June 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 2910 June 28, 2007

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.

H.R. 3040 July 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 3065 July 17, 2007

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

H.R. 3082 July 18, 2007

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.

H.R. 3553 Sept. 17, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and improve certain authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3741 Oct. 3, 2007

For the relief of certain members of the First Brigade Combat Team of the 34th Infantry Division of the Army National Guard.

H.R. 3882 Oct. 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 4130 Nov. 9, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain servicemembers to become eligible for educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill.

SUBJECT INDEX

EDUCATION—Continued

H.R. 4853 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4889 **Dec. 19, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code.

H.R. 5034 **Jan. 17, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5229 **Feb. 6, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5651 **Mar. 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5663 **Mar. 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5684 **Apr. 2, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5740 **Apr. 9, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5825 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5939 **May 1, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5944 **May 1, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5947 **May 1, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a returning soldiers' bill of rights.

H.R. 6224 **June 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6225 **June 10, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer.

H.R. 6397 **June 26, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6430 **July 8, 2008**

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

SUBJECT INDEX

EDUCATION—Continued

H.R. 6580 **July 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6850 **Sept. 9, 2008**

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.

EMERGENCY CARE

H.R. 3819 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4146 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5888 **Apr. 24, 2008**

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.

EMPLOYMENT

H. Con. Res. 5 **Jan. 4, 2007**

Expressing support for the designation and goals of "Hire a Veteran Week" and encouraging the President to issue a proclamation supporting those goals.

H.R. 3467 **Aug. 4, 2007**

To expand and extend counseling and referral programs that minimize recidivism by reintegrating at-risk veterans into meaningful employment.

H.R. 3646 **Sept. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4853 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5825 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6224 **June 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6272 **June 12, 2008**

To authorize discretionary appropriations to carry out the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992.

SUBJECT INDEX

EMPLOYMENT—Continued

H.R. 6580 **July 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6850 **Sept. 9, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7003 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS

H.R. 1632 **Mar. 21, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the annual report required on veterans' reemployment rights.

H.R. 3393 **Aug. 3, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3798 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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

H.R. 7178 **Sept. 27, 2008**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

ENHANCED-USE

H.R. 1642 **Mar. 22, 2007**

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.

EXPIRING AUTHORITY

H.R. 6802 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

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FACILITIES

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H.R. 2225 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3102 **July 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6937 **Sept. 18, 2008**

To improve energy and water efficiencies and conservation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

FACILITY CONSTRUCTION

H.R. 1323 **Mar. 5, 2007**

To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.

H.R. 4143 **Nov. 9, 2007**

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a major medical facility project in Atlanta, Georgia.

H.R. 5526 **Mar. 4, 2008**

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

H.R. 5856 **Apr. 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6832 **Sept. 8, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7046 **Sept. 24, 2008**

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to construct a new community-based outpatient clinic at Ord Military Community, California.

S. 472 **Feb. 1, 2007**

To authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs at Denver, Colorado.

S. 1396 **May 15, 2007**

To authorize a major medical facility project to modernize inpatient wards at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

FACILITY NAMING

H.R. 366 **Jan. 10, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

H.R. 474 **Jan. 16, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 1253 **Feb. 28, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, as the "Charles W. Lindberg Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

H.R. 1594 **Mar. 20, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, as the Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.

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| <p>H.R. 1808 Mar. 29, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Augusta, Georgia, as the "Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".</p> | <p>H.R. 4289 Dec. 5, 2007</p> <p>To name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 2245 May 9, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Wenatchee, Washington, as the Elwood "Bud" Link Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.</p> | <p>H.R. 4367 Dec. 11, 2007</p> <p>To name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Aiken, South Carolina, as the "Matthew V. Dillon Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 2408 May 21, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Green Bay, Wisconsin, as the "Milo C. Huempfer Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".</p> | <p>H.R. 4918 Dec. 19, 2007</p> <p>To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Miami, Florida, as the "Bruce W. Carter Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 2546 May 24, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".</p> | <p>H.R. 5438 Feb. 14, 2008</p> <p>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".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 2602 June 6, 2007</p> <p>To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain, Michigan, as the "Oscar G. Johnson Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility".</p> | <p>H.R. 5736 Apr. 9, 2008</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic.</p> |
| <p>H.R. 2899 June 28, 2007</p> <p>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".</p> | <p>H.R. 6511 July 16, 2008</p> <p>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".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 4171 Nov. 13, 2007</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>H.R. 6996 Sept. 23, 2008</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 4264 Dec. 4, 2007</p> <p>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".</p> | <p>H.R. 7108 Sept. 25, 2008</p> <p>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".</p> |
| <p>H.R. 4273 Dec. 4, 2007</p> <p>To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Alpena, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Clement C. Van Wagoner Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic".</p> | |

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FACILITY NAMING—Continued

S. 229 **Jan. 9, 2007**

To redesignate a Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

S. 1585 **June 11, 2007**

To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Ernest Childers Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

S. 2339 **Nov. 13, 2007**

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

FILIPINO VETERANS

H.R. 760 **Jan. 31, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6897 **Sept. 15, 2008**

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain payments to eligible persons who served in the Philippines during World War II.

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GRANT PROGRAMS

H.R. 4012 **Oct. 30, 2007**

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.

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HEALTH CARE

H.R. 1925 **Apr. 18, 2007**

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

H.R. 2818 **June 21, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2874 **June 27, 2007**

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

H.R. 6114 **May 21, 2008**

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

H.R. 6153 **May 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6792 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

HEALTH CARE ACCESS

H.R. 92 **Jan. 4, 2007**

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.

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HEALTH CARE ACCESS—Continued

H.R. 339 **Jan. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 538 **Jan. 17, 2007**

To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.

H.R. 542 **Jan. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1041 **Feb. 14, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1426 **Mar. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1471 **Mar. 12, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit eligible veterans to receive direct access to chiropractic care.

H.R. 1527 **Mar. 14, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3210 **July 27, 2007**

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

H.R. 3338 **Aug. 2, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4053 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5622 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6629 **July 29, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6699 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6945 **Sept. 18, 2008**

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

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY

H.R. 1448 **Mar. 9, 2007**

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.

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HEALTH CARE DELIVERY—Continued

H.R. 1812 Mar. 29, 2007

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.

H.R. 2005 Apr. 23, 2007

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

H.R. 3819 Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 4012 Oct. 30, 2007

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.

H.R. 4107 Nov. 7, 2007

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.

H.R. 4463 Dec. 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 4915 Dec. 19, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access to hospital care for veterans in urban areas, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5554 Mar. 6, 2008

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.

H.R. 5623 Mar. 13, 2008

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.

H.R. 5729 Apr. 8, 2008

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.

H.R. 5730 Apr. 8, 2008

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.

H.R. 6122 May 21, 2008

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.

HEALTH CARE ELIGIBILITY

H.R. 463 Jan. 12, 2007

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").

H.R. 612 Jan. 22, 2007

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.

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HEALTH CARE ELIGIBILITY—Continued

H.R. 2172 **May 3, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2173 **May 3, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4142 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5888 **Apr. 24, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6471 **July 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7167 **Sept. 26, 2008**

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.

HEALTH CARE FUNDING

H.R. 508 **Jan. 17, 2007**

To require United States military disengagement from Iraq, to provide United States assistance for reconstruction and reconciliation in Iraq, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1041 **Feb. 14, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1382 **Mar. 7, 2007**

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

H.R. 1702 **Mar. 26, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2514 **May 24, 2007**

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

H.R. 3455 **Aug. 4, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6711 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6712 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6939 **Sept. 18, 2008**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

HIV

H.R. 6114 **May 21, 2008**

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

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

HOMELESS

H.R. 1642 **Mar. 22, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2378 **May 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2699 **June 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4161 **Nov. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5823 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

HOME LOANS

H.R. 2475 **May 24, 2007**

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

H.R. 4539 **Dec. 13, 2007**

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

H.R. 4884 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5561 **Mar. 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5566 **Mar. 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5625 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

HOME LOANS—Continued

H.R. 5857 Apr. 22, 2008

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.

H.R. 6465 July 10, 2008

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.

H.R. 6543 July 17, 2008

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.

H.R. 6731 July 31, 2008

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.

S. 2768 Mar. 13, 2008

To provide a temporary increase in the maximum loan guaranty amount for certain housing loans guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

S. 3023 May 15, 2008

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

HOSPICE

H.R. 2623 June 7, 2007

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

HOUSING

H.R. 675 Jan. 24, 2007

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.

H.R. 1315 Mar. 5, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide specially adaptive housing assistance to certain disabled members of the Armed Forces residing temporarily in housing owned by a family member.

H.R. 1511 Mar. 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 2378 May 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 2697 June 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 4161 Nov. 13, 2007

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.

H.R. 4883 Dec. 19, 2007

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

HOUSING—Continued

H.R. 5664 **Mar. 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5825 **Apr. 16, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6070 **May 15, 2008**

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

I

INSURANCE

H.R. 585 **Jan. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2026 **Apr. 25, 2007**

To amend section 1922A of title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of supplemental insurance available for totally disabled veterans.

H.R. 2697 **June 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6277 **June 17, 2008**

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.

S. 1315 **May 7, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance life insurance benefits for disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

L

LAND TRANSFER

H.R. 941 **Feb. 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1879 **Apr. 17, 2007**

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.

LONG-TERM CARE

SUBJECT INDEX

H.R. 2199

May 8, 2007

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.

H.R. 3103

July 19, 2007

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.

S. 2162

Oct. 15, 2007

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.

M

MEDICAL CARE COST RECOVERY

H.R. 6366

June 25, 2008

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.

MEDICAL LICENSING

H.R. 5623

Mar. 13, 2008

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.

H.R. 7214

Sept. 28, 2008

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.

MEDICARE

H.R. 4142

Nov. 9, 2007

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.

H.R. 6699

July 31, 2008

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.

MENTAL HEALTH

H.R. 327

Jan. 9, 2007

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

H.R. 542

Jan. 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 1853

Mar. 29, 2007

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.

H.R. 2189

May 7, 2007

To require pre- and post-deployment mental health screenings for members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

SUBJECT INDEX

MENTAL HEALTH—Continued

H.R. 2226 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2689 **June 12, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4053 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4231 **Nov. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6075 **May 15, 2008**

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

H.R. 6268 **June 12, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6439 **July 8, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6764 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6765 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6998 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7214 **Sept. 28, 2008**

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.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 23 **Jan. 4, 2007**

To amend title 46, United States Code, 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.

H.R. 447 **Jan. 12, 2007**

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.

MINORITY VETERANS

SUBJECT INDEX

H. Res. 744 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 674 **Jan. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4012 **Oct. 30, 2007**

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.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

N

NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES

H.R. 1541 **Mar. 15, 2007**

To provide support and assistance for families of members of the National Guard and Reserve who are undergoing deployment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1641 **Mar. 22, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2259 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3798 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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

H.R. 4889 **Dec. 19, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to recodify as part of that title chapter 1607 of title 10, United States Code.

H.R. 6075 **May 15, 2008**

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

O

OUTPATIENT CARE

H.R. 1538 **Mar. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1546 **Mar. 15, 2007**

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.

OUTREACH

SUBJECT INDEX

H.R. 67 Jan. 4, 2007

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

H.R. 1863 Apr. 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 2192 May 7, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an Ombudsman within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

H.R. 2226 May 8, 2007

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.

H.R. 3051 July 16, 2007

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.

H.R. 3681 Sept. 27, 2007

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.

H.R. 6494 July 15, 2008

To provide veterans with individualized notice about available benefits, to streamline application processes for the benefits, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6765 July 31, 2008

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.

P

PARKINSON'S DISEASE

H.R. 6032 May 13, 2008

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.

PATIENT RIGHTS

H.R. 5730 Apr. 8, 2008

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.

PENSION

H.R. 1137 Feb. 16, 2007

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.

H.R. 1272 Mar. 1, 2007

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the pension program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

H.R. 1900 Apr. 17, 2007

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.

H.R. 1901 Apr. 17, 2007

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

PENSION—Continued

H.R. 2540 **May 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6980 **Sept. 22, 2008**

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.

PERSIAN GULF WAR

H.R. 3795 **Oct. 10, 2007**

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.

PERSONNEL

H.R. 2790 **June 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4023 **Oct. 31, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4089 **Nov. 6, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4229 **Nov. 15, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Bonus Review Board.

H.R. 4463 **Dec. 12, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5623 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6153 **May 22, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6516 **July 16, 2008**

To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in non-foreign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6764 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6792 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

S. 3013 **May 13, 2008**

To provide for retirement equity for Federal employees in non-foreign areas outside the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

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PHARMACEUTICALS

H.R. 331 **Jan. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4142 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6699 **July 31, 2008**

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.

PILOT PROGRAMS

H.R. 2226 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3458 **Aug. 4, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.

H.R. 4161 **Nov. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4231 **Nov. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4853 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5622 **Mar. 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6224 **June 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6268 **June 12, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6414 **June 26, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6765 **July 31, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6998 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

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PILOT PROGRAMS—Continued

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER

H.R. 4053 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5448 **Feb. 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6268 **June 12, 2008**

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.

H.R. 7299 **Nov. 20, 2008**

To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

PRISONERS OF WAR/MISSING IN ACTION

H.R. 156 **Jan. 4, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1197 **Feb. 27, 2007**

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

PROCUREMENT

H.R. 6221 **June 10, 2008**

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.

PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT

H.R. 1370 **Mar. 7, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4255 **Dec. 4, 2007**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT—Continued

S. 3023 May 15, 2008

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

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RADIATION

H.R. 3794 Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 3795 Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 4052 Nov. 1, 2007

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.

H.R. 4931 Jan. 3, 2008

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.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

H.R. 2579 June 6, 2007

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.

H.R. 2689 June 12, 2007

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.

REPORT TO CONGRESS

H.R. 2225 May 8, 2007

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.

H.R. 6431 July 8, 2008

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

H.R. 6764 July 31, 2008

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.

RESEARCH

H.R. 446 Jan. 12, 2007

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.

H.R. 2681 June 12, 2007

To provide for the maintenance, management, and availability for research of assets of the Air Force Health Study.

H.R. 3620 Sept. 20, 2007

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

RURAL VETERANS

H.R. 315 **Jan. 5, 2007**

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.

H.R. 538 **Jan. 17, 2007**

To provide for the health care needs of veterans in far South Texas.

H.R. 1527 **Mar. 14, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow 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, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2005 **Apr. 23, 2007**

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

H.R. 2190 **May 7, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Advisory Committee on Rural Veterans.

H.R. 3008 **July 11, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve services for veterans residing in rural areas.

H.R. 3051 **July 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3458 **Aug. 4, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.

H.R. 4231 **Nov. 15, 2007**

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.

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SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITIES

H.R. 653 **Jan. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5454 **Feb. 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5595 **Mar. 12, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5709 **Apr. 3, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5954 **May 1, 2008**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITIES—Continued

H.R. 5985 **May 7, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6032 **May 13, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6732 **July 31, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of "combat with the enemy" for purposes of service-connection of disabilities.

SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT

H.R. 513 **Jan. 17, 2007**

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to enhance the protection of credit ratings of active duty military personnel who are activated for military service.

H.R. 1511 **Mar. 13, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1598 **Mar. 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1750 **Mar. 28, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2910 **June 28, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3298 **Aug. 1, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3786 **Oct. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3856 **Oct. 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4141 **Nov. 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4883 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5857 **Apr. 22, 2008**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT—Continued

H.R. 6048 **May 14, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6070 **May 15, 2008**

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

H.R. 6225 **June 10, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, relating to equitable relief with respect to a State or private employer.

S. 2658 **Feb. 25, 2008**

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to extend from 90 days to one year the period after release of a member from the Armed Forces from active duty during which the member is protected from mortgage foreclosure.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

SEXUAL TRAUMA

H.R. 327 **Jan. 9, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

H.R. 3990 **Oct. 29, 2007**

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.

SMALL BUSINESS

H.R. 4853 **Dec. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6221 **June 10, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6850 **Sept. 9, 2008**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

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STATE VETERANS HOMES

H. Res. 1335 **July 10, 2008**

Celebrating the 120-year partnership between the Government and State veterans homes.

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS

H.R. 4053 **Nov. 1, 2007**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS—Continued

H.R. 5554 Mar. 6, 2008

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.

S. 2162 Oct. 15, 2007

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.

SUICIDE

H.R. 327 Jan. 9, 2007

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement a comprehensive program designed to reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

H.R. 2219 May 8, 2007

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.

H.R. 4204 Nov. 15, 2007

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on suicides among veterans.

H.R. 6268 June 12, 2008

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.

S. 479 Feb. 1, 2007

To reduce the incidence of suicide among veterans.

SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE

H.R. 6439 July 8, 2008

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.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

H.R. 1137 Feb. 16, 2007

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.

H.R. 1214 Feb. 27, 2007

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

H.R. 1284 Mar. 1, 2007

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.

H.R. 3286 Aug. 1, 2007

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.

H.R. 3794 Oct. 10, 2007

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.

H.R. 4274 Dec. 4, 2007

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS—Continued

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 5729 **Apr. 8, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6277 **June 17, 2008**

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.

TOLL-FREE HOTLINE

H.R. 2219 **May 8, 2007**

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.

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE

H.R. 2258 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2259 **May 9, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2721 **June 14, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2855 **June 25, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6414 **June 26, 2008**

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.

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

H.R. 1944 **Apr. 19, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2179 **May 3, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish traumatic brain injury centers.

SUBJECT INDEX

TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY—Continued

H.R. 2199 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2201 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2855 **June 25, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3051 **July 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3458 **Aug. 4, 2007**

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on the provision of traumatic brain injury care in rural areas.

H.R. 7299 **Nov. 20, 2008**

To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make payments for certain treatments of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder.

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

H.R. 4084 **Nov. 6, 2007**

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.

V

VA/DOD SHARING

H.R. 3489 **Sept. 6, 2007**

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.

VETERANS COMMISSIONS/ADVISORY GROUPS

H.R. 674 **Jan. 24, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2190 **May 7, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Advisory Committee on Rural Veterans.

H.R. 2199 **May 8, 2007**

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.

H.R. 2201 **May 8, 2007**

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SUBJECT INDEX

VETERANS DAY/REMEMBRANCE

H. Res. 237 **Mar. 12, 2007**

Supporting and encouraging greater support for Veterans Day each year.

H. Res. 1235 **June 3, 2008**

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.

VETERANS HISTORY

H. Res. 770 **Oct. 23, 2007**

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.

VETERANS STATUS

H.R. 3423 **Aug. 3, 2007**

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.

VIETNAM VETERANS

H. Res. 367 **May 2, 2007**

Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the construction and dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

H. Res. 680 **Sept. 25, 2007**

Condemning the actions of September 7, 2007, resulting in damage to the Vietnam Veterans War Memorial.

H. Res. 1231 **May 22, 2008**

Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day.

H.R. 5729 **Apr. 8, 2008**

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.

H.R. 6562 **July 22, 2008**

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

H.R. 6798 **Aug. 1, 2008**

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.

VISION BENEFITS

H.R. 797 **Feb. 5, 2007**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve compensation benefits for veterans in certain cases of impairment of vision involving both eyes, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3558 **Sept. 18, 2007**

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.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

H.R. 2239 **May 9, 2007**

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

SUBJECT INDEX

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION—Continued

H.R. 3889 **Oct. 18, 2007**

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.

H.R. 5509 **Feb. 28, 2008**

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.

S. 3023 **May 15, 2008**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe regulations relating to the notice to be provided claimants with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the substantiation of claims.

VOLUNTEERS

H.R. 3954 **Oct. 24, 2007**

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.

VOTING RIGHTS

H.R. 3856 **Oct. 16, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6070 **May 15, 2008**

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to guarantee the residency of spouses of military personnel.

H.R. 6625 **July 29, 2008**

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.

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WORLD WAR II VETERANS

H. Res. 1287 **June 19, 2008**

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.

H. Res. 1366 **July 23, 2008**

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.

WOMEN VETERANS

H. Res. 1054 **Mar. 14, 2008**

Honoring the service and achievements of women in the Armed Forces and female veterans.

H. Res. 1295 **June 23, 2008**

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.

H.R. 447 **Jan. 12, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4107 **Nov. 7, 2007**

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.

SUBJECT INDEX

WOMEN VETERANS—Continued

S. 2162 **Oct. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 6998 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

WOUNDED WARRIOR

H. Res. 656 **Sept. 17, 2007**

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.

H.R. 1538 **Mar. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 3210 **July 27, 2007**

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

H.R. 3620 **Sept. 20, 2007**

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.

H.R. 4219 **Nov. 15, 2007**

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.

H.R. 7003 **Sept. 23, 2008**

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.

SUMMARY OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS REFERRED AND HEARINGS EXECUTIVE SESSIONS CONDUCTED

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| | 80th | 81st | 82d | 83rd | 84th | 85th | 86th | 87th | 88th | 89th | 90th | 91st | 92d |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Bills and resolutions referred | 498 | 619 | 436 | 402 | 537 | 491 | 628 | 592 | 508 | 791 | 685 | 740 | 693 |
| Hearings sessions | 60 | 64 | 50 | 46 | 71 | 69 | 55 | 45 | 50 | 71 | 46 | 43 | 37 |
| Hearings, printed pages | 3,596 | 2,355 | 2,562 | 5,337 | 4,271 | 4,834 | 3,472 | 3,055 | 3,927 | 4,659 | 3,854 | 4,353 | 2,480 |
| Executive Sessions | 49 | 34 | 27 | 55 | 37 | 28 | 21 | 15 | 21 | 32 | 13 | 27 | 21 |
| Bills reported | 60 | 44 | 36 | 36 | 48 | 44 | 42 | 52 | 41 | 47 | (8) 19 | 34 | 26 |
| Bills in House | 16 | 1 | | 14 | 1 | 5 | 2 | (1) 8 | (5) 5 | (6) 4 | | 4 | 1 |
| Pending in Senate Committees | 6 | 16 | 14 | 2 | 17 | 11 | 6 | (2) 13 | 7 | (7) 12 | | 3 | 9 |
| Bills on Senate Calendar or in Senate | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | (3) 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Recommitted | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Bills vetoed | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | 1 | | | | | | | 2 |
| Bills passed over veto | | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Laws enacted | 36 | 24 | 22 | 25 | 30 | 26 | 33 | (4) 32 | 29 | 30 | 15 | 24 | 15 |
| | 93rd | 94th | 95th | 96th | 97th | 98th | 99th | 100th | 101st | 102nd | 103rd | 104th | 105th |
| Bills and resolutions referred | 839 | 719 | 709 | 339 | 273 | 229 | 198 | 147 | 194 | 215 | 174 | 128 | 134 |
| Hearings sessions | 44 | 58 | 72 | 84 | 89 | 71 | 76 | 44 | 72 | 67 | 71 | 39 | 56 |
| Hearings, printed pages | 2,837 | 2,832 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Meetings and mark-up sessions | 16 | 30 | 26 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 20 | 16 | 26 | 20 | 23 | 19 | 18 |
| Bills reported | (9) 14 | 23 | 32 | 11 | 16 | 15 | 17 | 14 | 33 | 21 | 25 | 15 | 15 |
| Bills in House | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Pending in Senate Committees | 2 | (10) 9 | 17 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 23 | 7 | 11 | 10 | 1 |
| Bills on Senate Calendar or in Senate | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Recommitted | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bills vetoed | 1 | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bills passed over veto | 1 | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Laws enacted | 15 | 15 | 13 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 24 | 15 | 6 | 6 |
| | 106th | 107th | 108th | 109th | 110th | 111th | 112th | 113th | 114th | 115th | 116th | 117th | 118th |
| Bills and resolutions referred | 146 | 194 | 253 | 239 | 345 | | | | | | | | |
| Hearings sessions | 66 | 58 | 66 | 71 | 108 | | | | | | | | |
| Hearings, printed pages | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Meetings and mark-up sessions | 13 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 25 | | | | | | | | |
| Bills reported | 10 | 14 | 22 | 10 | 26 | | | | | | | | |
| Bills in House | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Pending in Senate Committees | 1 | 10 | 7 | 11 | 38 | | | | | | | | |
| Bills on Senate Calendar or in Senate | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Recommitted | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Bills vetoed | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Bills passed over veto | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Laws enacted | 11 | 13 | 9 | 10 | 18 | | | | | | | | |

(1) Including 4 bills enacted as amendment to other legislation; 1 left in House when similar Senate bill returned to Senate; and 1 similar to another bill enacted (Public Law 87-645).

(2) Includes 2 bills enacted as amendments to other bills.

(3) Includes 1 bill enacted as amendment to another bill.

(4) Some laws include the substance of more than 1 bill reported separately. 39 separately reported bills were enacted, 7 as amendments to other legislation.

(5) Provisions of 3 of these bills were passed by the House as separate bills, and the provisions of 1 bill were included as an amendment to another bill which became public law.

(6,7) One bill in a Senate committee had purpose accomplished administratively; 5 other were enacted as sections of another bill; and portions of 1 bill left in the House were enacted as part of another bill.

(8) Includes S.J. Res. 197 making technical correction to law, which was brought to House floor for immediate consideration and passage by unanimous consent.

(9) The difference in number of bills reported (14) and laws enacted (15) is due to the fact that S. 3705 did not go to the House Committee. However, the subject matter was included in H.R. 12628.

(10) Includes H.R. 9576 subject matter of which was contained in S. 969, passed in lieu.