

# HR 2020

Veterans Educational Opportunities Enhancement Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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## **Sponsor**

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Party: Republican • State: NC • Chamber: House

## Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	$R \cdot MD$		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA-8]	$R \cdot GA$		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. Hansen, James V. [R-UT-1]	$R \cdot UT$		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	$D\cdotMA$		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. Saxton, Jim [R-NJ-3]	$R \cdot NJ$		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. Schrock, Edward L. [R-VA-2]	$R \cdot VA$		Jun 25, 2001
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Jun 28, 2001
Rep. Stenholm, Charles W. [D-TX-17]	$D\cdotTX$		Jun 28, 2001
Rep. Brown, Corrine [D-FL-3]	D·FL		Feb 27, 2002
Rep. Foley, Mark [R-FL-16]	$R \cdot FL$		Feb 27, 2002
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	$D\cdotOH$		Feb 27, 2002
Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3]	$R \cdot MS$		Feb 27, 2002
Del. Underwood, Robert A. [D-GU-At Large]	$D \cdot GU$		Mar 5, 2002
Rep. Hefley, Joel [R-CO-5]	$R \cdot CO$		Mar 5, 2002
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	$R \cdot SC$		May 20, 2002
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Sep 11, 2002
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	$R \cdot FL$		Sep 11, 2002
Rep. McIntyre, Mike [D-NC-7]	$D \cdot NC$		Oct 2, 2002
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	$D\cdotNJ$		Nov 12, 2002

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 7, 2001
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 5, 2001

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

**Summary** (as of May 25, 2001)

Veterans Educational Opportunities Enhancement Act of 2001 - Amends Federal veterans' benefits provisions to allow the basic pay reduction for entitlement to veterans educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill to be taken over two years (currently one year).

Allows the withdrawal of an election not to receive such assistance during a specified open period for an individual who:
(1) first becomes a member or enters into active service on or after the enactment of this Act; (2) continues to serve the period of obligated service without a service break; (3) before completing such period, is discharged or released from duty for a service-connected disability, a preexisting medical condition, a hardship, a physical or mental condition that did not result from the individual's own willful misconduct, or for the convenience of the Government; (4) completes the requirements of a secondary school diploma or equivalency certificate or 12 semester hours toward a standard college degree; and (5) is discharged honorably or placed on one of specified retirement lists. Provides a basic pay reduction for entitlement to such assistance.

Provides an opportunity for certain active-duty military personnel who first became a member of the armed forces before July 1, 1985, to enroll for such assistance during an open period under eligibility requirements very similar to those above, and requires a similar basic pay reduction for such assistance.

# **Actions Timeline**

- Jun 7, 2001: Executive Comment Requested from DOD.
- Jun 7, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- Jun 5, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Benefits.
- May 25, 2001: Introduced in House
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