

S 2025

Living American Hero Appreciation Act

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Mar 18, 2002

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2009) (Mar 18, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hutchinson, Tim [R-AR]

Party: Republican • State: AR • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	R · MS		Mar 18, 2002
Sen. Cleland, Max [D-GA]	D · GA		May 8, 2002
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 3, 2002
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jun 5, 2002
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		Jun 5, 2002
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jun 17, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 18, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 2561	Related bill	Dec 20, 2001: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2002)

Living American Hero Appreciation Act - Increases from \$600 to \$1,000 the monthly special pension for Medal of Honor (Medal) recipients, makes such award effective from the first day of the month that begins after the date of the act for which the Medal was awarded, and makes such amount subject to an annual cost-of-living adjustment. Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make a lump-sum payment to existing Medal recipients for any retroactive amounts due as a result of such increase.

Provides criminal penalties for the unauthorized purchase or possession of a Medal or for false representation as a Medal recipient.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 18, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 18, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2009)
- **Mar 18, 2002:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2009)