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S 2632

Forgotten Widows' Benefit Equity Act of 2002

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jun 18, 2002

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5705 Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5705)

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Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/2632

**Sponsor** 

Name: Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]

Party: Democratic • State: |A • Chamber: Senate

**Cosponsors** 

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 18, 2002

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

**Policy Area:** 

Armed Forces and National Security

### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Jun 18, 2002)

Forgotten Widows' Benefit Equity Act of 2002 - Amends the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 to increase the monthly annuity payable to the qualified (not remarried and not otherwise annuity-eligible) surviving spouse of each member of the armed forces who: (1) died before March 21, 1974, and was entitled to retired or retainer pay on the date of death; or (2) was a member of a reserve component before October 1, 1978, and at the time of death would have been entitled to retired pay but for being under 60 years of age. Makes such amount the higher of \$186 or the amount computed under the Survivor Benefit Plan for surviving spouses of members who died before or after specified dates.

# **Actions Timeline**

- Jun 18, 2002: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 18, 2002: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5704-5705)
- Jun 18, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5705)