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S 912

Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: May 17, 2001

Current Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. (Jun 28, 2001) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/912

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]

Party: Democratic • State: MD • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		May 17, 2001
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Jul 26, 2001
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D·SD		Jun 25, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jun 28, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 1291	Related bill	Dec 27, 2001: Became Public Law No: 107-103.

Summary (as of May 17, 2001)

Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2001 - Increases the authorized allowance for burial and funeral expenses for deceased veterans who: (1) at the time of death were in receipt of veterans' disability compensation or veterans' pension benefits; or (2) were veterans of any war or were discharged or released from active military service for a service-connected disability and for whom there is no next of kin or sufficient resources to cover funeral and burial costs. Increases the burial plot allowance for veterans who, at the time of death, were receiving hospital or nursing home care in or through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Authorizes the annual adjustment of such allowances based on increases in the Consumer Price Index.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 28, 2001: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.
- May 17, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- May 17, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5124, S5124-5125)
- May 17, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5124)