

HR 1683

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Law: 108-147 (Enacted Dec 3, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]

Party: Republican • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Brown, Henry E., Jr. [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Evans, Lane [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Apr 9, 2003
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		May 13, 2003
Resident Commissioner Acevedo-Vila, Anibal [D-PR-At Large]	D · PR		May 13, 2003
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		May 14, 2003
Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]	R · VA		May 19, 2003
Rep. Lewis, Jerry [R-CA-41]	R · CA		May 19, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	May 7, 2003
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Nov 22, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 1131	Identical bill	Oct 14, 2003: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 306.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2003 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase, as of December 1, 2003, the rates of veterans' disability compensation, additional compensation for dependents, the clothing allowance for certain disabled adult children, and dependency and indemnity compensation for surviving spouses and children.

Requires each such increase to be the same percentage as the increase in benefits provided under title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) of the Social Security Act, on the same effective date.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 3, 2003:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 3, 2003:** Became Public Law No: 108-147.
- **Nov 26, 2003:** Presented to President.
- **Nov 25, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 21, 2003:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S15481)
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- **Nov 21, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
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- **May 22, 2003:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4556-4557)
- **May 22, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 426 - 0 (Roll no. 209).(text: CR 5/20/2003 H4273-4274)
- **May 22, 2003:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 426 - 0 (Roll no. 209). (text: CR 5/20/2003 H4273-4274)
- **May 22, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 22, 2003:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 20, 2003:** Mr. Boozman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 20, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4273-4275)
- **May 20, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1683.
- **May 20, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 19, 2003:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 108-108.
- **May 19, 2003:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 55.
- **May 15, 2003:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 15, 2003:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 7, 2003:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 7, 2003:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 24, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Benefits.
- **Apr 10, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E723)
- **Apr 9, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 9, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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