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S 2068

Guard and Reserve Enhanced Benefits Act of 2004

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 12, 2004

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6916-6917)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6916-6917) (Jun 17, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]

Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Feb 12, 2004
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	$D \cdot NV$		Feb 12, 2004
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 23, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 12, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Guard and Reserve Enhanced Benefits Act of 2004 - Provides for benefits for members of the National Guard and Reserves who serve extended periods on active duty, including special assistance to them and their families through: (1) family leave, under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993; (2) child care, under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990; (3) educational assistance, under Federal law relating to Montgomery GI Bill benefits; (4) student loan deferments, under the Higher Education Act of 1965; (5) preservation of educational status and tuition, under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act; (6) non-reduction in pay in the case of those who are Federal employees, under Federal civil service law; (7) a tax credit to their employers for the income differential between their wages and their military pay, or a self-employment credit, under the Internal Revenue Code; (8) reduced minimum age for non-regular service retired pay, under Federal law relating to the Armed Services; and (9) health benefits, through expanded eligibility for the TRICARE program and continuation of non-TRICARE plan coverage for dependents, under Federal law relating to the Armed Services.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 17, 2004: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6916-6917)
- Feb 12, 2004: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 12, 2004: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1288-1289)
- Feb 12, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.