

HR 58

Keep Our Promise to America's Military Retirees Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jan 7, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization. (Feb 28, 2003)

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Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Feb 27, 2003
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Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Kanjorski, Paul E. [D-PA-11]	D · PA		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Matsui, Robert T. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Ney, Robert W. [R-OH-18]	R · OH		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Porter, Jon C. [R-NV-3]	R · NV		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Lipinski, William O. [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Mar 13, 2003
Rep. Solis, Hilda L. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Mar 13, 2003
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Mar 19, 2003

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Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	D · VA		Mar 19, 2003
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Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Mar 19, 2003
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Mar 19, 2003
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2003
Rep. Lucas, Ken [D-KY-4]	D · KY		Mar 19, 2003
Rep. Ryan, Timothy J. [D-OH-17]	D · OH		Mar 19, 2003
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Bishop, Timothy H. [D-NY-1]	D · NY		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Keller, Ric [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Lampson, Nick [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Manzullo, Donald A. [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Boswell, Leonard L. [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Davis, Jo Ann [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Hayes, Robin [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Hoeffel, Joseph M. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Apr 2, 2003
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Apr 9, 2003
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Rep. Watt, Melvin L. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Apr 9, 2003
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Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Jenkins, William L. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Rothman, Steven R. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Stearns, Cliff [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Apr 29, 2003
Rep. Hooley, Darlene [D-OR-5]	D · OR		May 6, 2003
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		May 6, 2003
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		May 6, 2003
Rep. Udall, Mark [D-CO-2]	D · CO		May 6, 2003
Rep. Walden, Greg [R-OR-2]	R · OR		May 6, 2003
Rep. Bradley, Jeb [R-NH-1]	R · NH		May 9, 2003
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		May 9, 2003
Rep. Saxton, Jim [R-NJ-3]	R · NJ		May 9, 2003
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Jun 2, 2003

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Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Jun 2, 2003
Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jun 4, 2003
Rep. Kelly, Sue W. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Jun 4, 2003
Rep. Reyes, Silvestre [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Jun 4, 2003
Rep. Baca, Joe [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Jun 9, 2003
Rep. Barrett, J. Gresham [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Jun 9, 2003
Rep. Burns, Max [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Jun 9, 2003
Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-2]	D · NY		Jun 9, 2003
Rep. Moran, Jerry [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Jun 16, 2003
Rep. Rehberg, Dennis R. [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Jun 16, 2003
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Jun 16, 2003
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Jun 16, 2003
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Jun 18, 2003
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Jun 18, 2003
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Jun 18, 2003
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jun 25, 2003
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Jun 25, 2003
Rep. Fletcher, Ernie [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Jun 25, 2003
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Jul 10, 2003
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Jul 10, 2003
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jul 22, 2003
Rep. Biggert, Judy [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Miller, Brad [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Sep 5, 2003
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Sep 5, 2003
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		Sep 5, 2003
Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Sep 23, 2003
Rep. Deutsch, Peter [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Sep 23, 2003
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		Nov 7, 2003
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-19]	R · IL		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	R · ID		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Dec 8, 2003
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Dec 8, 2003
Rep. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Jan 21, 2004
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jan 21, 2004
Rep. Stenholm, Charles W. [D-TX-17]	D · TX		Mar 10, 2004
Rep. Ballance, Frank W., Jr. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		May 4, 2004

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Rep. Istook, Ernest J., Jr. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Jun 18, 2004
Rep. Gerlach, Jim [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Jul 13, 2004
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Jul 19, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 28, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 7, 2003)

Keep Our Promise to America's Military Retirees Act - Includes as an employee, for purposes of Federal provisions authorizing enrollment under the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program: (1) a member of the armed forces who began service before June 7, 1956, and retired after a minimum of 20 years of such service or by reason of a service-connected disability; and (2) the surviving widow or widower of such member.

Directs the Secretary of Defense to enter into an agreement with the Office of Personnel Management to provide FEHB coverage to the following eligible beneficiaries: (1) a member or former member entitled to military retired or retainer pay; (2) an unremarried former spouse who was married to a member for at least 20 years, during which such member performed at least 20 years of retirement-creditable military service; (3) a dependent of a deceased qualifying member or former member; (4) a dependent of a living member or former member; and (5) a family member.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 28, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization.
- **Feb 3, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Total Force.
- **Feb 3, 2003:** Executive Comment Requested from DOD.
- **Jan 7, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Jan 7, 2003:** Referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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