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Filipino Veterans' Benefits Improvements Act of 2003

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Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jan 23, 2003
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 12, 2003
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 24, 2003
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		Mar 13, 2003
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	R · VA		Mar 17, 2003
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2003
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Mar 24, 2003
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Mar 31, 2003
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 9, 2003
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jun 5, 2003
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 11, 2003
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 22, 2003
Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]	D · NC		Nov 4, 2003
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Nov 24, 2003
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jan 28, 2004
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 9, 2004
Sen. Stevens, Ted [R-AK]	R · AK		Feb 27, 2004
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 3, 2004
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 3, 2004
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		Jun 16, 2004
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jul 8, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 7, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 7, 2003)

Filipino Veterans' Benefits Improvements Act of 2003 - Authorizes: (1) payment of the full rate of compensation (currently, 50%) for the service-connected disability of members of the New Philippine Scouts (and their survivors) who served with U.S. armed forces during World War II and who now are U.S. citizens or lawfully reside in the United States; (2) full dependency and indemnity compensation for the surviving spouses of Filipino veterans who became U.S. citizens or lawfully resided in the United States; and (3) hospital and nursing home care and medical services for such veterans and new Philippine Scouts in the same manner as U.S. veterans. Limits the disability pension to \$100 per month for such veterans who reside in the Philippines.

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish care and services to veterans of World War II, Commonwealth Army veterans, and new Philippine Scouts for the treatment of service-connected disabilities and non-service connected disabilities of such veterans and scouts residing in the Philippines on an outpatient basis at the Manila VA Outpatient Clinic. Limits to \$500,000 the amount to be expended during a fiscal year for such services.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 7, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 7, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S63-64)
- **Jan 7, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S64)