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# S 3176

Veterans Privacy Protection Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

Introduced: May 25, 2006

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (text of measure as Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (text of measure as

introduced: CR S5252-5254) (May 25, 2006)

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#### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]

Party: Democratic • State: WV • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		May 26, 2006
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	$D\cdotMT$		Jun 5, 2006
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		Jun 5, 2006
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 5, 2006

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 25, 2006

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Finance and Financial Sector

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 3486	Related bill	Jun 8, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Veterans Privacy Protection Act of 2006 - Directs the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to develop and implement a program of financial counseling and support to any veteran (and spouse of a veteran) who may be a victim of identity theft as a result of the security breach at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) on May 3, 2006.

Amends the Fair Credit Reporting Act to direct each consumer reporting agency (CRA), upon the request of such a veteran or spouse, to provide automatic extended fraud alerts to such individuals. Authorizes the placement in the files of such a veteran or spouse of a security freeze by a CRA, after which the CRA may not release information from their file for consumer credit purposes to a third party without prior express written authorization from such veteran or spouse. Requires notification to the spouse or veteran by a CRA before the removal of a security freeze. Provides security freeze exceptions.

Amends the federal criminal code to double the penalties for identity theft when the victim is a veteran or their spouse.

Requires Comptroller General studies on: (1) VA data protection; (2) VA security breach investigation; (3) an FTC program for veterans and spouses at risk of identity theft; and (4) federal agency compliance with personal data protection requirements.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- May 25, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- May 25, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5252)
- May 25, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5252-5254)