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# S 38

Guard and Reserve Enhanced Benefits Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jan 24, 2005

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S684-685)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S684-685) (Feb 1, 2005)

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## **Sponsor**

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

Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: Senate

#### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	$D \cdot SD$		Jan 31, 2005

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 24, 2005

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Guard and Reserve Enhanced Benefits Act of 2005 - Provides for benefits for members of the National Guard and Armed Services 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**

- Feb 1, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S684-685)
- Jan 24, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Jan 24, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.