

## HR 4259

Veterans' Right to Know Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 30, 2005
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 8, 2005

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Nov 8, 2005)

Veterans' Right to Know Act - Establishes the Veterans' Right to Know Commission to: (1) investigate chemical or biological warfare tests or projects, especially those carried out between 1954 and 1973, placing particular emphasis on actions or conditions that could have contributed to health risks to any civilian or military personnel who participated in such a test or project or were otherwise potentially exposed to a biological or chemical agent as a result; and (2) report to Congress on its findings and recommendations.

## Actions Timeline

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