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# HR 591

To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow the sworn affidavit of a veteran who served in combat during the Korean War or an earlier conflict to be accepted as proof of service-connection of a disease or injury alleged to have been incurred or aggravated by such service.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. (Apr 4, 2005)

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#### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2005



## **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Feb 2, 2005)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, for purposes of eligibility for veterans' disability compensation and benefits, to accept the sworn affidavit of a veteran who served on or before July 27, 1953, as proof of a service connection of a disease or injury alleged to have been incurred in or aggravated by such service, if there is no clear and convincing evidence to the contrary.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Feb 2, 2005: Introduced in House
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