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HR 832

To amend title 10, United States Code, to increase to \$100,000 the amount payable under the Department of Defense death gratuity program and to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase to \$400,000 the maximum coverage under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 15, 2005

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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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2005
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 502	Related bill	Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Summary (as of Feb 15, 2005)

Increases from \$12,000 to \$100,000 the death gratuity payable to survivors of members of the Armed Forces who die: (1) while on active duty or inactive duty training; or (2) within 120 days after discharge or release from such duty or training, if the death resulted from an injury or disease incurred or aggravated during such duty or training.

Increases from \$250,000 to \$400,000 the maximum coverage amount under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program. Provides retroactive applicability of such increase with respect to members who died in the performance of duty between the period beginning on August 1, 1990, and ending 120 days after the enactment of this Act and who, on the date of death, were insured for the maximum coverage available.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Mar 17, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
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