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### HR 887

Supply Our Soldiers Act of 2005 Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 17, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Mar 14, 2005)

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Party: Democratic • State: TN • Chamber: House

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Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA	Jun 14, 2005
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Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	$D\cdotMA$	Sep 12, 2005
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA	Oct 17, 2005

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 14, 2005
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 17, 2005

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2874	Related bill	<b>Jun 14, 2005:</b> Referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### Summary (as of Feb 17, 2005)

Supply Our Soldiers Act of 2005 - Directs the United States Postal Service (USPS) and the Secretary of Defense to provide a program under which postal benefits are made available for personal correspondence and other mail matter sent from within the United States by designated representatives (next-of-kin) to members of the Armed Forces who are: (1) serving on active duty abroad in support of military operations or against an enemy of the United States or other hostile force; or (2) hospitalized in a U.S. military facility as a result of disease or injury incurred during service overseas. Limits postal benefits to \$150 per calendar quarter, and limits the size and weight of allowable parcels. Allows charitable organizations to apply for such benefits.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Mar 14, 2005: Executive Comment Requested from DOD.
- Mar 14, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- Feb 17, 2005: Introduced in House
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