

HR 1318

Veterans' Benefits Protection Act

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Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 9, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Veterans' Benefits Protection Act - Repeals the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to prescribe qualifications and standards of, and to set fees charged by, agents or attorneys representing veterans in claims before the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Authorizes the Secretary to require that such individuals show that they are of good moral character, and qualified and competent to assist claimants. Removes some instances under which the Secretary may suspend or exclude an agent or attorney from such representation.

Repeals the Secretary's authority to review and order a reduction in the fee charged to a claimant by an agent or attorney.

Imposes fines and criminal penalties for soliciting, contracting for, charging, or receiving any part of a benefit or claim allowed to a claimant (or attempting such acts).

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Mar 5, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 5, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E465)
- **Mar 5, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.