

## S 1349

### Military and Veterans Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

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| Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]         | D · WA        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]         | R · SC        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]           | D · WA        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]           | D · IL        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]            | R · VA        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]               | D · VA        |      | May 9, 2007  |
| Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY] | D · NY        |      | May 10, 2007 |
| Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]            | R · NE        |      | May 11, 2007 |
| Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]             | D · MT        |      | Jun 26, 2007 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Armed Services Committee | Senate  | Referred To | May 10, 2007 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Military and Veterans Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment Act - Directs the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs to jointly establish a program of treatment and rehabilitative services for traumatic brain injury (TBI) with respect to members of the Armed Forces and veterans.

Requires the: (1) Secretary of Defense to establish protocols for the detection and diagnosis of TBI; (2) Secretaries to inform members and veterans with TBI and their families as to treatment rights and options available; (3) Secretaries to assign a qualified lead case manager and lead primary care physician to each member and veteran that participates in the program; and (4) Secretaries to enter into cooperative agreements with entities with expertise in the treatment and rehabilitation needs of individuals with TBI.

Directs the Secretaries to establish protocols to ensure that members receive continuity of care and assistance during and after the transition from military service to civilian life.

Requires the Secretary of Defense to: (1) review certain previous decisions of discharge from the Armed Forces under other than honorable conditions to determine whether a TBI was a cause of action that precipitated the discharge and, if so, reconsider and redesignate the discharge; and (2) conduct specified TBI research.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 9, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 9, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5874-5875)
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