

HR 1490

To provide for a presumption of service-connectedness for certain claims for benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 13, 2007)

Presumes a claimant presenting a claim for veterans' benefits with respect to a service-connected disability or death to have presented a valid claim of service-connectedness, unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines there is positive evidence to the contrary. Requires the claimant to support the claim with proof of service in a conflict referred to in the claim, as well as a brief description of the nature, including service-connection, of the disability or claim.

Directs the Secretary to redeploy, for the purpose of assisting veterans applying for benefits, those employees involved with processing claims that are no longer needed to evaluate claims due to the above presumption.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 17, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 16, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Mar 13, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 13, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.