

S 1718

VETS Act

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

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Jun 27, 2007
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 16, 2007
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jul 23, 2007
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jul 25, 2007
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 26, 2007
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 26, 2007
Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]	R · NM		Aug 2, 2007
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 17, 2007
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 20, 2007
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 26, 2007
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Oct 1, 2007
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		Oct 17, 2007
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Oct 23, 2007
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 10, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 27, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2910	Related bill	<b>Jun 26, 2008:</b> Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

## Summary (as of Jun 27, 2007)

Veterans Education Tuition Support Act or VETS Act - Amends the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to require an institution of higher education, in the case of a servicemember who because of military service discontinues a program of education at an institution that administers a federal financial aid program, to: (1) refund to the servicemember tuition and other fees paid for the portion of the program of education for which the servicemember did not receive academic credit because of such military service; and (2) provide the servicemember an opportunity to reenroll at the institution with the same educational and academic status that the servicemember had when the program was discontinued because of the military service.

Requires a provider of a student loan with respect to such a servicemember: (1) if the servicemember reenrolls in the program of education (or a comparable program) within 13 months following the period of military service, to disregard the entire period that the education was discontinued in determining the date on which student loan repayment is to begin; or (2) if the servicemember does not reenroll, to not require loan repayment to begin before the later of the last day of such 13-month period or the date the repayment was otherwise required to begin.

Prohibits a court from granting a creditor relief from the 6% limit on interest charged against student loan indebtedness.

## Actions Timeline

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