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# S 2617

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2008

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 8, 2008

Current Status: Became Public Law No: 110-324.

Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 110-324. (Sep 24, 2008)

Law: 110-324 (Enacted Sep 24, 2008)

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

Party: Democratic • State: HI • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	$D\cdotOH$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	$R \cdot NC$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	$D\cdotWA$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	$D\cdotMT$		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D·VA		Feb 8, 2008
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Feb 13, 2008

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 24, 2008

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 5826	Identical bill	May 22, 2008: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
110 S 423	Related bill	Jul 24, 2007: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 283.

**Summary** (as of Sep 24, 2008)

# (This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on July 30, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2008 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase, as of December 1, 2008, the rates of veterans' disability compensation, additional compensation for dependents, the clothing allowance for certain disabled adult children, and dependency and indemnity compensation for surviving spouses and children.

Requires each such increase to be the same percentage as the increase in benefits provided under title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) of the Social Security Act, on the same effective date.

Codifies rate amounts as increased under the Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2007.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Sep 24, 2008: Signed by President.
- Sep 24, 2008: Became Public Law No: 110-324.
- Sep 16, 2008: Presented to President.
- Sep 10, 2008: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7969-7970)
- Sep 10, 2008: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 418 - 0 (Roll no. 579).(text: CR 9/9/2008 H7907-7908)
- Sep 10, 2008: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 418 0 (Roll no. 579). (text: CR 9/9/2008 H7907-7908)
- Sep 10, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Sep 10, 2008: Cleared for White House.
- Sep 9, 2008: Mr. Filner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Sep 9, 2008: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7907-7909)
- Sep 9, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 2617.
- Sep 9, 2008: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Jul 31, 2008: Received in the House.
- Jul 31, 2008: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Jul 31, 2008: Held at the desk.
- Jul 30, 2008: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7795-7797; text: CR S7795-7796)
- Jul 30, 2008: Passed Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7795-7797; text: CR S7795-7796)
- Jul 24, 2008: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Reported by Senator Akaka with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title. With written report No. 110-430.
- Jul 24, 2008: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 897.
- Jun 26, 2008: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Feb 8, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 8, 2008: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S819)
- Feb 8, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.