

HCONRES 397

Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding sexual assaults and rape in the military.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 4, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 SCONRES 97	Related bill	Sep 10, 2008: Referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8280)

Summary (as of Jul 29, 2008)

Calls for the Secretary of Defense to develop a comprehensive strategy to increase and encourage investigation and prosecution of sexual assault and rape cases in the military.

Sets forth elements to be included in such strategy, including: (1) requiring commanders to be held accountable for sexual assaults and rapes in their units and for disposition of such cases; (2) developing prevention and response programs to create a culture that prevents sexual assault and rape in the military and encourages more reporting by victims; (3) reviewing the capacity of the legal infrastructure in the military to investigate and prosecute effectively sexual assault cases; (4) examining any barriers on military facilities to conducting effective investigations of sexual assault and rape cases; and (5) ensuring that the command affords an alleged sexual assault victim an opportunity for a base transfer should a military protection order be issued.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 4, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1589-1590)
- **Jul 29, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.