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HR 5148

Combat Veterans Debt Elimination Act of 2008

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. (Feb 1, 2008)

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House | Referred to | Feb 1, 2008 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 110 HR 5155 | Related bill | Jun 12, 2008: Subcommittee Hearings Held. |
| 110 S 2550 | Identical bill | Jan 23, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |
| 110 S 2536 | Related bill | Jan 22, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |

Summary (as of Jan 28, 2008)

Combat Veterans Debt Elimination Act of 2008 - Prohibits the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting debts owed to the United States by certain members of the armed forces or veterans who die as a result of an injury incurred or aggravated on active duty in a war or a combat zone after September 11, 2001.

Excepts any amounts owed the United States under federal housing and small business loan programs from such prohibition on debt collection.

Actions Timeline Feb 1, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Jan 28, 2008: Introduced in House

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