

HR 5155

Combat Veterans Debt Elimination Act of 2008

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Chamber: House

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# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 12, 2008

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

## **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 5148	Related bill	Feb 1, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
110 S 2550	Related bill	Jan 23, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
110 S 2536	Identical bill	Jan 22, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Summary** (as of Jan 29, 2008)

Combat Veterans Debt Elimination Act of 2008 - Prohibits the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting debts owed to the United States by certain veterans who die as a result of a service-connected disability incurred or aggravated on active duty in a war after the Persian Gulf War or a combat zone after September 11, 2001, if the Secretary determines, in his or her discretion, that the termination of collection is in the best interest of the United States.

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

### **Actions Timeline**

- Jun 12, 2008: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- Feb 1, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Jan 29, 2008: Introduced in House
- Jan 29, 2008: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.