

## HR 1089

### Veterans Employment Rights Realignment Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Feb 13, 2009

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (May 20, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/1089>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [D-SD-At Large]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 19, 2009
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 20, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of May 19, 2009)

Veterans Employment Rights Realignment Act of 2009 - Provides for the enforcement through the Office of Special Counsel of the employment and unemployment rights of veterans and members of the Armed Forces employed by federal agencies. Authorizes such an individual to file a complaint with the Special Counsel. (Under current law, such individual may only file a complaint with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs).

Directs the Special Counsel to investigate and attempt to resolve any complaint so filed. Requires the Special Counsel, if unable to resolve a complaint, to notify the complainant of: (1) the results of the investigation; and (2) the complainant's entitlement to proceed with the enforcement of such rights through referral to the Merit Systems Protection Board.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 20, 2009:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 19, 2009:** Mr. Filner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 19, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5725-5726)
- **May 19, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1089.
- **May 19, 2009:** 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.
- **May 19, 2009:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5766)
- **May 19, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 423 - 0 (Roll no. 270).(text: CR H5725)
- **May 19, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 423 - 0 (Roll no. 270). (text: CR H5725)
- **May 19, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 19, 2009:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **May 14, 2009:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 111-111.
- **May 14, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 55.
- **May 6, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 6, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 19, 2009:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 19, 2009:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 27, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Feb 13, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 13, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.