

HR 2473

To improve Department of Defense policies relating to body armor.

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 8, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary

(as of May 19, 2009)

Directs the Secretary of Defense, with respect to the defense budget for FY2011 and thereafter, to ensure that within the research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) account for each military department, a separate, dedicated program element is assigned to: (1) the RDT&E of body armor; and (2) the procurement of body armor.

Requires the Secretary to ensure that, from amounts authorized for RDT&E, necessary sums are available for: (1) research and development of lighter body armor while maintaining equivalent level of threat protection to the improved outer tactical vest and enhanced small arms protective inserts; and (2) the creation of a task force to carry out the RDT&E of lighter body armor.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 8, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces.
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