

HR 2931

Kyle Barthel Veterans and Service Members Mental Health Screening Act

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Chamber: House

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 3, 2009
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Kyle Barthel Veterans and Service Members Mental Health Screening Act - Directs the Secretary of Defense to ensure that each member of the Armed Forces on active duty is required to participate in confidential, in-person screenings for mental health conditions by a licensed mental health professional to reduce the prevalence of suicide among service members, future veterans, and veterans.

Prohibits the Secretary from using the results of such a screening to prohibit a member from returning to the United States, prohibit a member from being discharged from the Armed Forces, or involuntarily discharge a member.

Directs the Secretary to require that each member on active duty is screened for a traumatic brain injury by a licensed professional who is qualified to conduct such screening.

Directs the Secretary and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a joint protocol to share existing and future reports concerning screenings conducted under this Act to help aid members and veterans who are transitioning from receiving health care and treatment through the Department of Defense to receiving such care and services through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 3, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Referred to House Armed Services
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jun 17, 2009:** Referred to House Veterans' Affairs