

## HR 2980

To amend title 38, United States Code, to reduce the period of time for which a veteran must be totally disabled before the veteran's survivors are eligible for the benefits provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for survivors of certain veterans rated totally disabled at time of death.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jun 19, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. (Jun 26, 2009)

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### Sponsor

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

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Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Jul 7, 2009
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Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Feb 23, 2010
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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

Allows veterans' disability compensation benefits to be paid to the survivor of a veteran whose service-connected disability was continuously rated totally disabling for at least one year immediately preceding death. (Current law allows such survivor right of payment if the disability was rated total for periods of up to ten years under various circumstances.)

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 26, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 19, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.