

## S 3162

A bill to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

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**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/3162>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

**Cosponsors** (59 total)

| Cosponsor                          | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
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| Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]            | D · MT        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]             | D · IN        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]           | D · AK        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]     | D · CO        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]         | D · NM        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]         | D · CA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]         | D · OH        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Burris, Roland [D-IL]         | D · IL        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Byrd, Robert C. [D-WV]        | D · WV        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]        | D · WA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]    | D · MD        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]      | D · DE        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]  | D · PA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]           | D · ND        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]   | D · CT        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]       | D · ND        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]     | D · IL        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]   | D · WI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]      | D · CA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]            | D · MN        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY] | D · NY        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Hagan, Kay R. [D-NC]          | D · NC        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]            | D · IA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]      | D · HI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]           | D · SD        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Kaufman, Edward E. [D-DE]     | D · DE        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]         | D · MA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]         | D · MN        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]             | D · WI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]      | D · LA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]   | D · NJ        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]      | D · VT        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]            | D · MI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]  | ID · CT       |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]    | D · AR        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]      | D · MO        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]       | D · NJ        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]          | D · OR        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]   | D · MD        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]          | D · WA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]            | D · NE        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |

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| Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]             | D · FL        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]           | D · AR        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]               | D · RI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]              | D · NV        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV] | D · WV        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]         | I · VT        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]      | D · NY        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]          | D · NH        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Specter, Arlen [D-PA]           | D · PA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]         | D · MI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]              | D · MT        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]              | D · CO        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]               | D · NM        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]          | D · VA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]                | D · VA        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]      | D · RI        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]               | D · OR        |      | Mar 24, 2010 |
| Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]            | R · NC        |      | Mar 25, 2010 |

## Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity        | Date         |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Veterans' Affairs Committee | Senate  | Discharged From | Mar 26, 2010 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

| Bill          | Relationship         | Last Action   |
|---------------|----------------------|---|
| 111 HRES 1653 | Procedurally related | Sep 23, 2010: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |
| 111 HR 5014   | Related bill         | May 27, 2010: Became Public Law No: 111-173.                                      |

## Summary (as of Mar 26, 2010)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to include children of Vietnam War and certain Korean War veterans receiving care and services through the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for spina bifida-related medical conditions and children of women Vietnam veterans born with certain birth defects as meeting the definition of minimum essential coverage under requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA).

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 23, 2010:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1653, papers are returned to the Senate.
- **Sep 23, 2010:** Message received in the Senate: Returned to the Senate pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1653.
- **Apr 13, 2010:** Received in the House.
- **Apr 13, 2010:** Held at the desk.
- **Mar 26, 2010:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S2165)
- **Mar 26, 2010:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S2165)
- **Mar 26, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S2165)
- **Mar 26, 2010:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S2165)
- **Mar 24, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 24, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2026)
- **Mar 24, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2026)