

S 475

Military Spouses Residency Relief Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Party: Republican • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Mar 30, 2009
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 2, 2009
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Apr 2, 2009
Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	R · MO		Apr 20, 2009
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Apr 20, 2009
Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]	R · OK		Apr 22, 2009
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Apr 27, 2009
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 27, 2009
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Apr 28, 2009
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Apr 30, 2009
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		May 4, 2009
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		May 4, 2009
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		May 4, 2009
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		May 6, 2009
Sen. Bunning, Jim [R-KY]	R · KY		May 6, 2009
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		May 6, 2009
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		May 11, 2009
Sen. Gregg, Judd [R-NH]	R · NH		May 11, 2009
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		May 11, 2009
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		May 11, 2009
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		May 18, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jun 25, 2009
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Jun 25, 2009
Sen. DeMint, Jim [R-SC]	R · SC		Jul 8, 2009
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Jul 10, 2009
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jul 10, 2009

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Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]	R · AL		Jul 10, 2009
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jul 15, 2009
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 16, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 15, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 1182	Identical bill	Oct 8, 2009: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .

Summary (as of Nov 11, 2009)

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

Military Spouses Residency Relief Act - Amends the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to prohibit, for purposes of voting for a federal, state, or local office, deeming a person to have lost a residence or domicile in a state, acquired a residence or domicile in any other state, or become a resident in or of any other state solely because the person is absent from a state because the person is accompanying the person's spouse who is absent from the state in compliance with military or naval orders.

Prohibits a servicemember's spouse from either losing or acquiring a residence or domicile for purposes of taxation because of being absent or present in any U.S. tax jurisdiction solely to be with the servicemember in compliance with the servicemember's military orders if the residence or domicile is the same for the servicemember and the spouse. Prohibits a spouse's income from being considered income earned in a tax jurisdiction if the spouse is not a resident or domiciliary of such jurisdiction when the spouse is in that jurisdiction solely to be with a servicemember serving under military orders.

Suspends land rights residency requirements for spouses accompanying servicemembers serving under military orders.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 11, 2009:** Signed by President.
- **Nov 11, 2009:** Became Public Law No: 111-97.
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Presented to President.
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Mr. Carson (IN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H12145-12147)
- **Nov 2, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 475.
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H12145-12146)
- **Nov 2, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H12145-12146)
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 2, 2009:** Cleared for White House.
- **Sep 8, 2009:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 8, 2009:** Held at the desk.
- **Aug 5, 2009:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 4, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8778; text as passed Senate: CR S8778)
- **Aug 4, 2009:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8778; text as passed Senate: CR S8778)
- **Jul 15, 2009:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Reported by Senator Akaka without amendment. With written report No. 111-46. Supplemental views filed.
- **Jul 15, 2009:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 108.
- **May 21, 2009:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Apr 29, 2009:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-81.
- **Feb 25, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 25, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.