

## S 476

### Care Affordability for Military Families Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Feb 25, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (Feb 25, 2009)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

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

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Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	R · MO		Feb 25, 2009
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		Mar 25, 2009
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 25, 2009
Sen. Burris, Roland [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Apr 27, 2009
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 29, 2009
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		May 4, 2009
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		May 7, 2009
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		May 14, 2009
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		May 19, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Jul 6, 2009
Sen. Byrd, Robert C. [D-WV]	D · WV		Jan 20, 2010

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 25, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Feb 25, 2009)

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Care Affordability for Military Families Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to reimburse a covered beneficiary under TRICARE (a Department of Defense [DOD] managed care program) for travel expenses when such beneficiary is referred by a primary care physician to a specialty care provider located more than 50 (under current law, more than 100) miles from the primary care location.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 25, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
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