

## HR 4791

### Fort Hood Victims and Families Benefits Protection Act

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Mar 9, 2010

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Apr 23, 2010)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 23, 2010
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 9, 2010

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 4088	Related bill	Dec 8, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
111 S 2807	Identical bill	Nov 20, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Fort Hood Victims and Families Benefits Protection Act - Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) any member of the Armed Forces who was killed or wounded in the attack at Fort Hood, Texas, on November 5, 2009, and the family members of those victims, should receive the same treatment and benefits as the victims and families of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the United States; (2) such members and families have made tremendous sacrifices, and the United States should provide them with the maximum level of benefits available, identical to that available to those killed or wounded in an overseas combat zone such as Iraq or Afghanistan; and (3) the Department of Defense (DOD) should honor the Americans killed or injured in such attack with awards that recognize their sacrifices, including the Purple Heart for members and the Secretary of Defense Medal for the Defense of Freedom for civilian DOD employees.

Treats members and DOD civilian employees killed or wounded in the shootings at Fort Hood, Texas, as members killed or wounded in a combat zone or civilian employees killed or wounded in a terrorist attack or while serving in a contingency operation, respectively, for purposes of specified laws, regulations, and policies concerning compensation, awards, and other benefits for which such members and employees are eligible.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 23, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Mar 15, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H1416-1417, H1419, H1422)
- **Mar 9, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 9, 2010:** Referred to House Armed Services
- **Mar 9, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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.
- **Mar 9, 2010:** Referred to House Oversight and Government Reform