

## HR 816

Military Retirees Health Care Protection Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Feb 3, 2009

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

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Rep. LaTourette, Steven C. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Apr 29, 2009
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Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		Apr 29, 2009
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Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		May 7, 2009
Rep. Space, Zachary T. [D-OH-18]	D · OH		May 7, 2009
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 13, 2009

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Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Jun 2, 2009
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Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 2, 2009
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Rep. Bright, Bobby [D-AL-2]	D · AL		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]	D · MO		Jun 16, 2009
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jun 18, 2009
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jun 18, 2009
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Jun 23, 2009
Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2009
Rep. Kissell, Larry [D-NC-8]	D · NC		Jun 24, 2009
Rep. Massa, Eric J. J. [D-NY-29]	D · NY		Jul 17, 2009
Rep. Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [D-MD-1]	D · MD		Jul 21, 2009
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Boccieri, John A. [D-OH-16]	D · OH		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Dahlkemper, Kathleen A. [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Sep 22, 2009

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Rep. Inglis, Bob [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. LoBiondo, Frank A. [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Sep 22, 2009
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Rep. Lipinski, Daniel [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Sep 23, 2009
Rep. Mack, Connie [R-FL-14]	R · FL		Sep 23, 2009
Rep. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 23, 2009
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Oct 7, 2009
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Oct 7, 2009
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Oct 7, 2009
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Oct 7, 2009
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Rep. Arcuri, Michael A. [D-NY-24]	D · NY		Apr 15, 2010
Rep. Critz, Mark S. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Jun 10, 2010
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 24, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Feb 3, 2009)

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Military Retirees Health Care Protection Act - Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) the Department of Defense (DOD) and the nation have a committed health benefits obligation to retired military personnel that exceeds the obligation of corporate employers to civilian employees; and (2) DOD has many additional options to constrain the growth of health care spending in ways that do not disadvantage beneficiaries, and should pursue such options rather than seeking large fee increases for beneficiaries.

Prohibits an increase after: (1) April 1, 2006, in a premium, deductible, copayment, or other charge prescribed by the Secretary of Defense for medical and dental health care coverage for military personnel; and (2) September 30, 2009, in the dollar amount of a cost-sharing requirement under the DOD pharmacy benefits program.

Prohibits: (1) charges for DOD inpatient care from exceeding \$535 per day; and (2) beginning on January 1, 2009, an increase in premiums under TRICARE (a DOD managed health care program) for certain members of the Selected Reserve.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 24, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 3, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.