

## S 919

### Clarification of Characteristics of Combat Service Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Apr 28, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4818) (Apr 28, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/919>

### Sponsor

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

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 28, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Apr 28, 2009)

Clarification of Characteristics of Combat Service Act of 2009 - Requires, in each case in which a veteran is seeking service-connection for a disability after service in a particular combat zone, that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) accept credible lay or other evidence as sufficient proof that the veteran encountered an event associated with service in particular locations where the veteran served or in particular circumstances under which the veteran served in that combat zone.

### Actions Timeline

- **Apr 28, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 28, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4817-4818)
- **Apr 28, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4818)