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World War II Merchant Mariner Service Act

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Rep. Costello, Jerry F. [D-IL-12]	D · IL		Nov 15, 2011

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Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Mar 20, 2012
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Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		May 17, 2012
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jul 18, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 15, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 31, 2011)

World War II Merchant Mariner Service Act - Directs the Secretary of Homeland Security (DHS) to consider certain methods for verifying that an individual performed honorable service as a member of the merchant marine during the period beginning on December 7, 1941, and ending on December 31, 1946, for purposes of eligibility for veterans' benefits under the GI Bill Improvement Act of 1977. Requires such methods to include Social Security Administration (SSA) records and validated testimony in the case of the absence of Coast Guard shipping or discharge forms, ship logbooks, or other official employment records.

Requires the Secretary to recognize masters of seagoing vessels or other command officers who were authorized to document an individual for purposes of hiring for the merchant marine or discharge therefrom, when determining whether to recognize service allegedly performed during such period.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 15, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Mar 31, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 31, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.