

## HR 1417

### BEST Practices Act

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3418	Related bill	Jul 23, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.
112 HR 403	Related bill	Feb 4, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

## Summary (as of Apr 7, 2011)

Battlefield Excellence through Superior Training Practices Act or BEST Practices Act - Requires the Secretary of Defense (DOD), no later than: (1) October 1, 2014, to develop, test, and validate human-based training methods for training members of the Armed Forces in the treatment of combat injuries, with the goal of replacing live animal-based training methods; and (2) October 1, 2016, to use only use human-based training methods for such purposes. Prohibits the use of animals in such training after the latter date.

Requires an annual report from the Secretary to the congressional defense committees on the development and implementation of the human-based training methods.

## Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Apr 8, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E678)
- **Apr 7, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 7, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.