

## HR 208

To amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize the reimbursement of mental health counselors under TRICARE, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2011

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Feb 4, 2011)

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 6, 2011)

Amends the TRICARE program (a Department of Defense [DOD] managed health care program) to authorize the provision of mental health counseling for TRICARE participants. Authorizes the provision of mental health services in DOD clinical trials.

Amends the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1995 to authorize the Secretary of Defense to enter into personal service contracts with mental health counselors.

Includes mental health counselors within DOD licensure requirements for health-care professionals.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 4, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jan 6, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.