

S 260

A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan by veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation.

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Committee Activity

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| Armed Services Committee | Senate | Referred To | Feb 2, 2011 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 112 HR 1979 | Related bill | Jun 24, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. |
| 112 HR 178 | Related bill | Feb 4, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. |

Summary (as of Feb 2, 2011)

Repeals certain provisions which require the offset of amounts paid in dependency and indemnity compensation from Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuities for the surviving spouses of former military personnel who are entitled to military retired pay or would be entitled to such pay, except for being under 60 years of age.

Prohibits recoupment by the Secretary of Defense (DOD) of certain amounts previously paid to SBP recipients in the form of a retired pay refund.

Repeals the optional authority of (and instead requires) the Secretary of the military department concerned to pay an annuity to a member's dependent children when there is no eligible surviving spouse. Directs the Secretary concerned to restore annuity eligibility to a surviving spouse who earlier agreed to transfer such eligibility to a surviving child or children of a member.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 2, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
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