

HR 2634

Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act of 2011

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Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Nov 3, 2011
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Dec 1, 2011
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jan 18, 2012
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Feb 27, 2012
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Feb 27, 2012
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jun 18, 2012
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Nov 13, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 1, 2011
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 25, 2011
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 29, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 25, 2011)

Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act of 2011 - Directs the Secretary of State to provide assistance to address the health care needs of covered individuals. Defines a "covered individual" as an individual who is: (1) a resident of Vietnam, and (2) affected by health issues related to exposure to Agent Orange during the Vietnam era.

Requires such assistance to include assistance to: (1) institutions in Vietnam that provide health care to such individuals, (2) repair and rebuild substandard homes in Vietnam, (3) remediate areas in Vietnam that continue to contain high levels of contaminants, and (4) support research relating to health issues of covered individuals.

Requires the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to: (1) establish at least two regional medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) designed to address the medical needs of descendants of Vietnam era veterans, (2) make grants to appropriate public health organizations and Vietnamese-American organizations to conduct a broad health assessment of Vietnamese-Americans who may have been exposed to Agent Orange and their children, and (3) ensure that the National Vietnam Veterans Readjustment Study is expanded to include a mortality and morbidity study examining the health outcomes of Vietnam veterans.

Defines a "victim" as any individual who is a Vietnamese national, Vietnamese-American, or U.S. veteran who was exposed to Agent Orange, or the progeny of such an individual, and who has a disease or disability associated with this exposure.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 25, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific.
- **Aug 1, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 29, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 25, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 25, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1403)
- **Jul 25, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.