

HR 4057

Improving Transparency of Education Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2012

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hanabusa, Colleen W. [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Mar 29, 2012
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Rep. Owens, William L. [D-NY-23]	D · NY		Apr 24, 2012
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Apr 25, 2012
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Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		May 9, 2012
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		May 15, 2012
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		May 30, 2012
Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4]	D · NY		May 30, 2012
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-27]	D · CA		May 30, 2012
Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		May 31, 2012
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-17]	D · OH		Jun 5, 2012
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jun 19, 2012
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	R · CA		Jun 29, 2012
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Jul 12, 2012
Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jul 17, 2012
Rep. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Jul 17, 2012
Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jul 17, 2012
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Jul 31, 2012
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Sep 10, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Jun 28, 2012
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 20, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 19, 2012. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to develop a comprehensive policy to improve outreach and transparency to veterans and members of the Armed Forces (members) through the provision of information on institutions of higher learning. Requires such information to: (1) include accreditation information and a description of available federal aid programs, and (2) be provided through hyperlinks on the VA website. Requires the Secretary, in developing the policy, to conduct a market survey to determine the availability of a commercially available off-the-shelf online tool that: (1) allows veterans to determine whether they are academically ready to engage in postsecondary education and training opportunities, and (2) provides a list of providers of such opportunities. Directs the Secretary to report to the congressional veterans and education committees on: (1) the policy developed, (2) a plan to implement the policy, and (3) survey results.

Prohibits the Secretary from approving an educational institution that provides any commission, bonus, or other incentive payment based on success in securing enrollments.

Directs the Secretary to ensure that the VA provides assistance to personnel of educational institutions who are charged with submitting reports or certifications to the VA.

Prohibits the Secretary from paying more than \$395 million in VA employee incentive awards or performance bonuses during FY2013.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 10, 2013:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 10, 2013:** Became Public Law No: 112-249.
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Mr. Miller (FL) moved that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H7439-7442)
- **Dec 30, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4057.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Michaud objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7465-7466)
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 392 - 3 (Roll no. 650). (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7439-7440)
- **Dec 30, 2012:** On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 392 - 3 (Roll no. 650). (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR H7439-7440)
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 20, 2012:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 19, 2012:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 19, 2012:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8229)
- **Dec 19, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 19, 2012:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 12, 2012:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Mr. Bilirakis moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5817-5821)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4057.
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5817-5818)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5817-5818)
- **Sep 11, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 10, 2012:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 112-646.
- **Sep 10, 2012:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 464.
- **Jul 11, 2012:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 11, 2012:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 28, 2012:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 28, 2012:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Mar 8, 2012:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 24, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Feb 16, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 16, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.