

## HR 4201

Servicemember Family Protection Act

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**Chamber:** House

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported By	May 18, 2012
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 4, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of May 30, 2012)

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**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Servicemember Family Protection Act - Amends the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide that if a court renders a temporary order for custodial responsibility for a child based solely on a deployment or anticipated deployment of a parent-servicemember, then the court shall require that upon the return of that servicemember from deployment the custody order that was in effect preceding such deployment shall be reinstated, unless the court finds that reinstatement is not in the child's best interest. Prohibits a servicemember's deployment or possible deployment from being considered in the determination of a child's best interest in a motion seeking a permanent order to modify custody. Provides that under a temporary custody order, if a state law provides a higher standard of protection to the deploying parent-servicemember, then the appropriate court shall apply the higher standard.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 4, 2012:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 30, 2012:** Mr. Stearns moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 30, 2012:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3234-3236)
- **May 30, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4201.
- **May 30, 2012:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 30, 2012:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3248-3249)
- **May 30, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 390 - 2 (Roll no. 295).(text: CR H3234)
- **May 30, 2012:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 390 - 2 (Roll no. 295). (text: CR H3234)
- **May 30, 2012:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 18, 2012:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 112-488.
- **May 18, 2012:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 341.
- **Apr 27, 2012:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 27, 2012:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 16, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 16, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.