

## HR 6046

Military Spouses Equal Treatment Act of 2012

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Jul 19, 2012)

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## Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Armed Services Committee    | House   | Referred to | Jul 19, 2012 |
| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House   | Referred To | Jun 27, 2012 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jun 27, 2012)

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Military Spouses Equal Treatment Act of 2012 - Considers a person a spouse, for purposes of military personnel policies and military and veterans' benefits, if the marriage of the individual is valid in the state in which the marriage was entered into or, in the case of a marriage entered into outside any state, if the marriage is valid in the place in which the marriage was entered into and the marriage could have been entered into in a state. Includes as a state the District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, and U.S. territories and possessions.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 19, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jun 27, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 27, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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.