

## HR 6101

Student Veteran ACE Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. (Jul 27, 2012)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Sanchez, Loretta [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jul 11, 2012
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Jul 24, 2012
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Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Sep 20, 2012
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Sep 20, 2012
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Oct 19, 2012
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Dec 5, 2012
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Dec 13, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 26, 2012
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 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 Jul 11, 2012)

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Student Veteran Academic Counseling Enhancement Act or Student Veteran ACE Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Secretary) to make educational counseling available to students pursuing an approved program of education while using educational assistance provided through the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Requires the Secretary to: (1) assign one educational counselor per 100 of such students in a geographical area, and (2) provide adequate opportunities for such counseling to such students in remote areas. Requires a student who is a veteran to receive such counseling, unless the student specifically declines, while allowing non-veteran students to elect to receive such counseling. Outlines counselor responsibilities, including assistance with applications for such educational assistance, as well as academic counseling and transition assistance. Requires each student to attend at least one counseling session per quarter, semester, or term, unless such attendance would place an undue hardship on the student. Requires an annual report from the Secretary to the congressional veterans committees on such counseling.

Directs the Secretary and the Secretary of Defense to provide individualized, one-on-one educational counseling to an individual considering pursuing a program of education with assistance furnished through the VA or the Department of Defense (DOD), unless such individual declines. Outlines counseling elements.

Repeals the fiscal year funding limit (\$6 million) for VA contract educational and vocational counseling.

Requires the Secretary to establish a system to collect, process, and track complaints submitted by individuals enrolled in VA programs of education and reporting instances of fraud, waste, and abuse by the educational institutions with respect to benefits and services provided.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 27, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Jul 26, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jul 11, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 11, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H4787)
- **Jul 11, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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.