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Veterans' Heritage Firearms Act of 2011

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (21 total)

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Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		May 18, 2011
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Jun 9, 2011
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 23, 2011
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 23, 2011
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Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Jul 11, 2011
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Jul 11, 2011
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Jul 11, 2011
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jul 19, 2011
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Jul 19, 2011
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Jul 20, 2011
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Aug 1, 2011
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Sep 6, 2011
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Sep 21, 2011
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Oct 3, 2011
Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]	R · OK		Oct 6, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Nov 7, 2011
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Dec 12, 2011
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Mar 27, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 12, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 420	Related bill	Feb 7, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Summary (as of Apr 12, 2011)

Veterans' Heritage Firearms Act of 2011 - Provides a 90-day amnesty period during which veterans and their family members can register in the National Firearms Registration and Transfer Record any firearm acquired before October 31, 1968, by a veteran while a member of the Armed Forces stationed outside the continental United States. Grants such an individual limited immunity under the federal criminal code and the Internal Revenue Code with respect to the acquisition, possession, transportation, or alteration of such qualifying firearm at or before the time at which the individual registered the qualifying firearm. Extends such immunity to a veteran who attempts to register a qualifying firearm outside of the amnesty period if the veteran surrenders the firearm within 30 days after being notified of potential criminal liability for continued possession.

Requires the Attorney General to: (1) transfer each curio or relic firearm that is forfeited to the United States to the first qualified museum that requests it, and (2) publish information identifying each such firearm which is available to be transferred to a museum. Requires that any firearm transferred to a qualified museum be registered to the transferee.

Makes a prohibition against transfer or possession of a machine-gun inapplicable to a transfer to or by, or possession by, a museum which is open to the public and incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under applicable state law.

Actions Timeline

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