

S 873

A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide benefits for children with spina bifida of veterans exposed to herbicides while serving in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam era outside Vietnam, and for other purposes.

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: May 3, 2011

Current Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 112-116.

Latest Action: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 112-116. (Jun 8, 2011)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jun 8, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 3, 2011)

Makes eligible for certain medical services and benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) a child with spina bifida whose veteran-parent served on active duty during the Vietnam era at a location outside Vietnam where exposure to a herbicide agent during such service was likely, and is determined to have been exposed to such agent during such service.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 8, 2011:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 112-116.
- **May 3, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 3, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.