

S 1039

Spouses of Heroes Education Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-111.

Latest Action: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-111. (Jun 12, 2013)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		May 23, 2013
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Jun 19, 2013
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Jun 26, 2013
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 16, 2013
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Jul 16, 2013
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 25, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jun 12, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2413	Related bill	Jun 2, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
113 S 1982	Related bill	Feb 27, 2014: Motion by Senator Reid to commit to Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with amendment (SA 2767) fell when the bill was committed in Senate. (consideration: CR S1209-1210)
113 S 1950	Related bill	Feb 4, 2014: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure withdrawn in Senate. (consideration: CR S736)
113 S 944	Related bill	Dec 9, 2013: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 258.
113 HR 3441	Related bill	Nov 12, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

Summary (as of May 23, 2013)

Spouses of Heroes Education Act - Entitles to post-9/11 veterans' educational assistance the spouse (under current law, only the child) of a person who, on or after September 11, 2001, dies in the line of duty while serving on active duty as a member of the Armed Forces. Terminates such spouse's entitlement on the earlier of: (1) the date that is 15 years after the date on which the member died, and (2) the date of the spouse's remarriage.

Requires an individual entitled to such assistance and also to veterans' educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill to elect a single coverage.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 12, 2013:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-111.
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