

S 1573

Military Family Relief Act

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Sponsor

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Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Oct 16, 2013
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Oct 30, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Military Family Relief Act - Authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to pay temporary (not to exceed six months) dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) to the surviving spouse of a veteran if, at the time of death, the veteran was in receipt of or entitled to receive compensation for a service-connected disability rated as total for at least one year preceding the veteran's death.

Authorizes the payment to such survivor, for the same period, of any veteran's pension that the deceased was receiving at the time of death, without regard to the annual income and net worth of the surviving spouse.

Allows a surviving spouse who is entitled to pension or DIC under any other VA provision to be paid the amount by which such pension or DIC exceeds the amount of pension paid under this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 30, 2013:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-280.
- **Oct 16, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Oct 16, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.