

## HR 2341

Veterans Pension Protection Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Jun 28, 2013)

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barber, Ron [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Jun 12, 2013
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jun 12, 2013
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		Jun 12, 2013
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Jul 19, 2013

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 28, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2413	Related bill	<b>Jun 2, 2014:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
113 S 1982	Related bill	<b>Feb 27, 2014:</b> 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	<b>Feb 4, 2014:</b> Motion to proceed to consideration of measure withdrawn in Senate. (consideration: CR S736)
113 S 944	Related bill	<b>Dec 9, 2013:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 258.
113 S 748	Identical bill	<b>Jun 12, 2013:</b> Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-111.

Veterans Pension Protection Act - Provides that if a veteran eligible for a pension for service or for a non-service-connected disability, or the spouse of such veteran, disposes of a resource that was part of such veteran's estate for less than its fair market value within three years before applying for such pension, then the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) shall deny or discontinue the pension payment for months beginning on the date of such disposition and ending when the uncompensated value of such resource is reached. Provides the same denial or discontinuance in the case of a veteran eligible for an increased pension payment on account of a child, unless the Secretary determines that such denial or discontinuance would work an undue hardship.

Applies the same denial or discontinuance, with the same undue hardship exception, in the case of: (1) a veteran's surviving spouse who disposes of a covered resource for less than fair market value within such period, and (2) an increased pension for such spouse on account of a child.

Requires the Secretary, at the time a veteran, surviving spouse, or child applies for such a pension, to: (1) inform the individual of such requirements, and (2) obtain information to determine whether a period of ineligibility for such payments will be required.

Requires annual reports from the Secretary, through 2018, on the administration of this Act.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jun 28, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jun 21, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jun 12, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 12, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.