

## HR 3172

BEST Practices Act

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Committee Activity

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Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 24, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 1550	Related bill	<b>Sep 25, 2013:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

## Summary (as of Sep 25, 2013)

Battlefield Excellence through Superior Training Practices Act or the BEST Practices Act - Requires the Secretary of Defense (DOD), no later than: (1) October 1, 2016, to develop, test, and validate human-based training methods for training members of the Armed Forces in the treatment of combat trauma injuries, with the goal of replacing live animal-based training methods; and (2) October 1, 2018, to use only use human-based training methods for such purposes. Prohibits the use of animals in such training after the latter date.

Requires an annual report from the Secretary to the congressional defense committees on the development and implementation of the human-based training methods.

## Actions Timeline

- **Oct 24, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 25, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.