

HR 671

Ruth Moore Act of 2013

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Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Apr 9, 2013
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Rep. Latham, Tom [R-IA-3]	R · IA		May 14, 2013
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		May 14, 2013
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		May 16, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Apr 25, 2013
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 6, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 294	Identical bill	Jun 12, 2013: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-111.

Summary (as of Jun 4, 2013)

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on May 17, 2013. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Ruth Moore Act of 2013 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to report to Congress in each of 2014 through 2018 on claims submitted for disabilities based on a covered mental health condition alleged to have been incurred or aggravated by military sexual trauma during active duty. Includes as a covered mental health condition post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), anxiety, depression, or any other mental health diagnosis that the Secretary determines to be related to military sexual trauma.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary should update and improve VA regulations with respect to military sexual trauma by: (1) ensuring that it is specified as an in-service stressor in determining the service-connection of PTSD, and (2) recognizing the full range of physical and mental disabilities that can result from such trauma. Requires each veteran submitting such a claim to be provided the most recently updated regulations concerning such trauma, as well as other information designed to aid such claims.

Extends until FY2019 the required rounding to the nearest dollar of VA basic educational assistance and survivors' and dependents' educational assistance.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 6, 2013:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Jun 4, 2013:** Mr. Miller (FL) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 4, 2013:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3029-3032)
- **Jun 4, 2013:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 671.
- **Jun 4, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H3029-3030)
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- **Jun 4, 2013:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 4, 2013:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **May 17, 2013:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 113-63.
- **May 17, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 38.
- **May 8, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 8, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 25, 2013:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 25, 2013:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote .
- **Apr 16, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 1, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Feb 13, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 13, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.