

## HR 733

Access to Veterans Benefits Improvement Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Feb 14, 2013

**Current Status:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.

**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Apr 16, 2013)

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### Sponsor

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Apr 16, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Feb 14, 2013)

Access to Veterans Benefits Improvement Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide veterans' case-tracking information access to employees of a Member of Congress or of a state or local governmental agency assisting veterans with benefit claims. Directs the Secretary to ensure that such access does not: (1) allow the employee to modify the data in the case-tracking system, and (2) include access to medical records. Requires such employees to complete a certification course on privacy issues before receiving such access.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 16, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 1, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Feb 14, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 14, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.