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Charlie Morgan Military Spouses Equal Treatment Act of 2015

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 13, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 27, 2015)

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Revises the definition of "surviving spouse" for purposes of veterans benefits provisions to eliminate the requirement that the person who was the spouse of a veteran at the time of the veteran's death be a person of the opposite sex.

Considers an individual to be a "spouse" if the marriage of the individual is considered valid under the laws of any state.

Actions Timeline

- **May 13, 2015:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-182.
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.