

HR 4554

To amend title 10, United States Code, to ensure that certain members of the National Guard serving on full-time National Guard duty and dependents remain eligible for the TRICARE program during periods in which the member is responding to a disaster.

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Committee Activity

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| Armed Services Committee | House | Referred to | Mar 4, 2016 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 114 S 2943 | Related bill | Dec 23, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-328. |
| 114 HR 4909 | Related bill | May 26, 2016: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 502. |

Summary (as of Feb 12, 2016)

This bill makes eligible for TRICARE health care benefits certain National Guard members (and dependents) who are performing disaster response duty, if the performance of such a duty immediately follows a period in which the member served on full-time additional National Guard duty.

"Disaster response duty" means duty performed by a member of the National Guard in state status pursuant to an emergency declaration by the state governor (or, for the District of Columbia, by the mayor) in response to a disaster or in preparation for an imminent disaster.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 4, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Feb 12, 2016:** Introduced in House
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