

## HR 5015

Combat-Injured Veterans Tax Fairness Act of 2016

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

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**Law:** 114-292 (Enacted Dec 16, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5015>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** NC • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (33 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Pittenger, Robert [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Stewart, Chris [R-UT-2]	R · UT		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Hunter, Duncan D. [R-CA-50]	R · CA		May 10, 2016
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		May 11, 2016
Rep. McSally, Martha [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		May 11, 2016
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		May 23, 2016
Rep. Byrne, Bradley [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Duffy, Sean P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Jul 12, 2016
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Jul 13, 2016
Rep. Boustany, Charles W., Jr. [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Black, Diane [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Comstock, Barbara [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Knight, Stephen [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Pompeo, Mike [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Ratcliffe, John [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Sep 12, 2016
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Sep 14, 2016
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Sep 19, 2016
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Sep 19, 2016
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Sep 19, 2016
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Sep 19, 2016
Rep. Issa, Darrell E. [R-CA-49]	R · CA		Sep 20, 2016
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Sep 20, 2016
Rep. DeSantis, Ron [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Sep 28, 2016

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	May 5, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 20, 2016

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2712	Identical bill	Mar 17, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

### Summary (as of Dec 16, 2016)

#### Combat-Injured Veterans Tax Fairness Act of 2016

(Sec. 3) This bill directs the Department of Defense (DOD), within one year after enactment of this bill, to identify:

- certain disability severance payments that were not considered gross income to veterans with combat-related injuries paid after January 17, 1991, from which DOD withheld amounts for tax purposes, and
- the individuals to whom such severance payments were made.

DOD shall provide each such veteran with: (1) notice of the amount of improperly withheld severance payments, and (2) instructions for filing amended tax returns to recover such amount.

The period for filing a related claim with the Internal Revenue Service for a credit or refund is extended beyond the three-year limitation to the date that is one year after DOD provides the veteran with the information required by this bill.

(Sec. 4) DOD shall ensure that amounts are not withheld for tax purposes from DOD severance payments to individuals when such payments are not considered gross income.

(Sec. 5) DOD shall report on: (1) the number of identified individuals, (2) the aggregate amount of payments withheld for tax purposes from such severance payments, and (3) a description of how DOD shall ensure that the withheld amounts will not be considered gross income to the affected individuals.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 16, 2016:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 16, 2016:** Became Public Law No: 114-292.
- **Dec 15, 2016:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 12, 2016:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 10, 2016:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Dec 5, 2016:** Mr. Brady (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Dec 5, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7156-7159)
- **Dec 5, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5015.
- **Dec 5, 2016:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Dec 5, 2016:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7176)
- **Dec 5, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 392 - 0 (Roll no. 601). (text: CR H7156-7157)
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- **Dec 5, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 5, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Apr 20, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 20, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.