

## HR 868

Veterans TRICARE Choice Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Nov 23, 2015)

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Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Sep 30, 2015
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Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Feb 25, 2016
Rep. Tiberi, Patrick J. [R-OH-12]	R · OH		May 18, 2016

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 23, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5458	Related bill	<b>Nov 30, 2016:</b> Received in the Senate.
114 S 448	Identical bill	<b>Feb 11, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of Feb 11, 2015)

### Veterans TRICARE Choice Act

Allows an individual who is eligible to participate in the TRICARE program (a Department of Defense [DOD] managed health care program) to: (1) elect to be ineligible to enroll in such program, (2) make tax deductible contributions to a health savings account during the period such individual elects to be ineligible for TRICARE coverage, and (3) enroll in the TRICARE program at a later date during a special enrollment period.

Requires DOD to: (1) submit to the Internal Revenue Service information on each TRICARE-eligible individual who makes such election for purposes of determining such individual's eligibility for a health savings account; and (2) report to Congress, annually, on elections by TRICARE-eligible individuals under this Act.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 23, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 11, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 11, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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.