

SCONRES 12

A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that those who served in the bays, harbors, and territorial seas of the Republic of Vietnam during the period beginning on January 9, 1962, and ending on May 7, 1975, should be presumed to have served in the Republic of Vietnam for all purposes under the Agent Orange Act of 1991.

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Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

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Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 1, 2017
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Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Jun 6, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 12, 2017
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 22, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jun 26, 2017
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 11, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 4, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HCONRES 45	Identical bill	Apr 4, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Summary (as of Apr 4, 2017)

Recognizes that the intent of the Agent Orange Act of 1991 included the presumption that veterans who served in the Armed Forces in the bays, harbors, and territorial seas of the Republic of Vietnam between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, served in Vietnam for all purposes under the Agent Orange Act of 1991.

Expresses the intent that such veterans who served in those areas and other areas exposed to Agent Orange who have been diagnosed with connected medical conditions should be equally recognized for such exposure through equitable benefits and coverage as those who served in the inland rivers and on the Vietnamese land mass.

Calls on the Department of Veterans Affairs to review its policy that excludes presumptive coverage for Agent Orange exposure for such veterans.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 4, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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