HR 1618

S.O.S. Veterans Caregivers Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 17, 2017)

Support our Services to Veterans Caregivers Act or the S.O.S. Veterans Caregivers Act

This bill includes a veteran who has a serious illness or injury (currently, a serious injury) incurred or aggravated in the line of active duty on or after September 11, 2001, as an "eligible veteran" for purposes of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) program of comprehensive assistance for family caregivers of eligible veterans.

As part of such program, the VA shall give each caregiver designated as the primary provider of personal care services for an eligible veteran, not less than annually, a multidimensional assessment to measure the burden and strain the caregiver has felt.

The VA's annual report on such program shall include a description of the satisfaction experienced by caregivers and veterans with such program.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 27, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 17, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 17, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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