

S 2088

Gold Star Family Support and Installation Access Act of 2017

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Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Dec 21, 2017
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Apr 9, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 7, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5515	Related bill	Aug 13, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-232.
115 HR 3897	Identical bill	Nov 8, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Summary (as of Nov 7, 2017)

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This bill directs the appropriate military department to issue a standardized Gold Star Installation Access Card to the widow and dependent children of a deceased member of the Armed Forces to allow them to gain unescorted access to military installations to attend memorial events, visit gravesites, and obtain on-installation services and benefits.

The Department of Defense shall prescribe regulations to provide that a surviving spouse of a deceased member, regardless of martial status, who has guardianship of dependent children of the deceased member, is entitled to use commissary stores and MWR retail facilities to the same extent and on the same basis as the unremarried spouse of a member of the uniformed services.

Actions Timeline

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