

HR 3605

Fairness for Korean DMZ Veterans Act of 2017

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 28, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 299	Related bill	Aug 1, 2018: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-616.
115 S 2038	Identical bill	Oct 31, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Summary (as of Jul 28, 2017)

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This bill provides a presumption of herbicide exposure as the service-connected cause of certain diseases notwithstanding that there is no evidentiary record of any such disease during a veteran's service period.

The bill defines a "veteran" for purposes of this bill as an individual who, during active military, naval, or air service, served in or near the Korean demilitarized zone during the period beginning on September 1, 1967, and ending on August 31, 1971.

The bill specifies such a disease as: (1) a listed disease that becomes manifest, or (2) any additional disease that the Department of Veterans Affairs determines warrants a presumption of service-connection by reason of a positive association with herbicide exposure and that manifests itself within a prescribed period.

Actions Timeline

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