

## HR 4635

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase the number of peer-to-peer counselors providing counseling for women veterans, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Dec 13, 2017

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Jun 14, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4635>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** CO • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (27 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Dec 13, 2017
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jan 10, 2018
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Feb 2, 2018
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2]	R · ME		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Feb 13, 2018
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Feb 20, 2018
Rep. O'Rourke, Beto [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Feb 20, 2018
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Mar 1, 2018
Del. Radewagen, Aumua Amata Coleman [R-AS-At Large]	R · AS		Mar 6, 2018
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Mar 13, 2018
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Mar 13, 2018
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Apr 5, 2018
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Apr 13, 2018
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Apr 23, 2018
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Apr 26, 2018
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Apr 26, 2018
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Apr 26, 2018
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 3, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	May 8, 2018
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 14, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6	Related bill	Oct 24, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-271.
115 S 2402	Identical bill	Feb 8, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

(Sec. 1) This bill directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to emphasize appointing peer support counselors for women veterans. The VA shall recruit women peer support counselors with expertise in gender-specific issues and services, VA services and benefits, and employment mentoring.

The VA shall:

- emphasize peer support counseling for women veterans who suffered sexual trauma while in the Armed Forces, have post-traumatic stress disorder or another mental health condition, are homeless, or are at risk of suicide;
- conduct program outreach;
- coordinate with community, business, educational, and state and local government entities; and
- provide peer support counselor training.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 14, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Jun 13, 2018:** Mr. Roe (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 13, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5137-5138)
- **Jun 13, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4635.
- **Jun 13, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(consideration: CR H5137)
- **Jun 13, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (consideration: CR H5137)
- **Jun 13, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 18, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 115-687.
- **May 18, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 530.
- **May 8, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 8, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 8, 2018:** Subcommittee on Health Discharged.
- **Apr 17, 2018:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Dec 13, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 13, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Dec 13, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.