

## HR 5125

### Military Spouse Employment Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Feb 27, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Feb 28, 2018)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. McEachin, A. Donald [D-VA-4]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** VA • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Nov 9, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 28, 2018
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 27, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2379	Identical bill	Feb 14, 2018: Committee on Armed Services Subcommittee on Personnel. Hearings held.
115 HR 3319	Related bill	Aug 21, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

## **Military Spouse Employment Act of 2018**

This bill expands authorities, programs, services, and benefits for military spouses and their families. Specifically, the bill:

- expands the authority for noncompetitive appointments of military spouses by federal agencies to include spouses of active duty military personnel or disabled or deceased personnel,
- requires the Department of Defense (DOD) to ensure that military spouses are aware of the My Career Advancement Account program and their eligibility to participate in it,
- facilitates child care services for military families,
- expands the period of availability of the Military OneSource Program for retired and discharged members of the Armed Forces and their immediate families, and
- provides transition assistance for military spouses.

DOD must report to Congress on:

- methods to increase its participation in defense contracts that provide employment for military spouses;
- public-private partnerships to support and enhance the health, safety, welfare, and morale of military families;
- small businesses activities of military spouses on military installations; and
- an assessment of the effects of frequent changes of duty stations on employment stability of military spouses.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 28, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Feb 27, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 27, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.