

S 84

A bill to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jan 10, 2017

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Latest Action: Became Public Law No: 115-2. (Jan 20, 2017)

Law: 115-2 (Enacted Jan 20, 2017)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jan 12, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 393	Identical bill	Feb 16, 2017: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 1.
115 HRES 48	Procedurally related	Jan 13, 2017: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of Jan 20, 2017)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the Senate passed version is repeated here.)

(Sec. 1) This bill allows the first person, and only such person, appointed as Secretary of Defense after the enactment of this bill to be a person who is, on the date of appointment, not within at least three years after relief from active duty as a commissioned officer of a regular component of the Armed Forces. (Under current law, an individual may not be appointed as Secretary of Defense within seven years after relief from such active duty.)

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 20, 2017:** Presented to President.
- **Jan 20, 2017:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 20, 2017:** Became Public Law No: 115-2.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** Rule H. Res. 48 passed House.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 48. (consideration: CR H520-529)
- **Jan 13, 2017:** Rule provides for consideration of S. Con. Res. 3 and S. 84. The resolution provides for two hours of general debate on S. Con. Res. 3 under a structured rule, and ninety minutes of debate on S.84. The resolution also provides for one motion to commit on S. 84.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with 90 minutes of debate on S. 84.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on S. 84, the Chair put the question on passage and by voice vote announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Smith (WA) demanded a recorded vote, and the Chair postponed further proceedings on passage of S. 84 until later in the legislative day.
- **Jan 13, 2017:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H531-532)
- **Jan 13, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 268 - 151, 1 Present (Roll no. 59). (text: CR H520)
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- **Jan 13, 2017:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Committee on Armed Services. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Committee on Armed Services. Reported by Senator McCain without amendment. Without written report.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 2.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (CR S299)
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Measure laid before Senate by motion. (consideration: CR S299-307)
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate, having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative (pursuant to H.R. 2028, 114th Congress), without amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 81 - 17. Record Vote Number: 27. (text: CR S307)
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- **Jan 12, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 48 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of S. Con. Res. 3 and S. 84. The resolution provides for two hours of general debate on S. Con. Res. 3 under a structured rule, and ninety minutes of debate on S.84. The resolution also provides for one motion to commit on S. 84.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.