

HR 100

Veteran Overmedication and Suicide Prevention Act of 2019

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Apr 30, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [D-NJ-2]	D · NJ		May 10, 2019
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Jun 12, 2019
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Jun 26, 2019
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Nov 8, 2019
Rep. Horn, Kendra S. [D-OK-5]	D · OK		Dec 17, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Apr 30, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 785	Related bill	Oct 17, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-171.
116 S 2991	Identical bill	Dec 5, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Veteran Overmedication and Suicide Prevention Act of 2019

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to contract with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to report on the deaths of covered veterans who died by suicide during the last five years, regardless of whether information relating to such deaths has been reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A covered veteran is any veteran who received VA hospital care or medical services during the five-year period preceding the veteran's death.

Among other elements, the report shall include the total number of covered veterans who died by suicide, violent death, or accidental death, as well as certain demographic information.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 30, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jan 16, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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