

## S 1047

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Improvement Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Apr 4, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Apr 4, 2019)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 26, 2019
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Aug 1, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 4, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3221	Identical bill	<b>Jun 25, 2019:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

## **Dependency and Indemnity Compensation Improvement Act of 2019**

This bill creates an allowance for a deceased veteran's or deceased service member's surviving spouse who is receiving dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) from the Department of Veterans Affairs. DIC is a monthly payment made to survivors and dependents of (1) certain veterans, and (2) service members killed while on active military duty. The bill provides a formula for calculating the monthly rate of the allowance based on the DIC amount the spouse is entitled to receive.

Payment amounts under the Survivor Benefit Plan shall not be affected by the implementation of the DIC allowance.

## **Actions Timeline**

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