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World War I Valor Medals Review Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 2500	Related bill	Aug 11, 2020: Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 512.
116 S 1790	Related bill	Dec 20, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-92.
116 HR 2249	Identical bill	Apr 11, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

World War I Valor Medals Review Act

This bill requires review of the service records of certain decorated World War I veterans to determine whether they should be awarded the Medal of Honor for valor during that war. Specifically, the Secretary of the Army or the Secretary of the Navy shall review the records of any African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, Jewish American, or Native American war veteran who was recommended for review by a veterans service organization and who, for action that occurred between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918

- was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross or the Navy Cross,
- was awarded the Croix de Guerre with Palm by the government of France, or
- was recommended for a Medal of Honor.

If a review indicates that the award is warranted, a recommendation shall be made to the President to award the Medal of Honor to that veteran.

Actions Timeline

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