

HR 186

Veterans Jobs Opportunity Act

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Cosponsors (37 total)

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Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jan 17, 2019
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Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jan 17, 2019
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Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jan 17, 2019
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jan 17, 2019
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Jan 17, 2019
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Jan 22, 2019
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Feb 8, 2019
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Apr 18, 2019
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Apr 18, 2019
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		May 7, 2019
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jun 19, 2019
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Aug 30, 2019
Rep. Correa, J. Luis [D-CA-46]	D · CA		Sep 6, 2019
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Dec 5, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 3, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2100	Related bill	Jul 11, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Jan 3, 2019)

Veterans Jobs Opportunity Act

This bill allows a new business-related tax credit for the start-up expenses of a veteran-owned small business in an underserved community.

The allowable amount of such credit is 15% of start-up expenditures that do not exceed \$80,000. To be eligible for the credit, the small business must (1) be owned and controlled by one or more veterans or spouses of veterans, and (2) have a principal place of business in an underserved community.

An "underserved community" is any area located within (1) a HUBZone (as defined by the Small Business Act), (2) an empowerment zone or an enterprise community, (3) an area of low income or moderate income (as recognized by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council), or (4) a county with persistent poverty (as classified by the Economic Research Service of the Department of Agriculture).

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
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