

## HR 1911

SFC Brian Woods Gold Star and Military Survivors Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Sep 17, 2020

**Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 28, 2019
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Oct 22, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1790	Related bill	<b>Dec 20, 2019:</b> Became Public Law No: 116-92.

### Summary (as of Mar 27, 2019)

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#### SFC Brian Woods Gold Star and Military Survivors Act

This bill expands benefits for survivors of members of the Armed Forces. Specifically, it

- provides commissary and exchange privileges to a remarried former spouse;
- provides continued eligibility for payment of an annuity to a spouse who remarries, including a surviving spouse who remarried before the age of 55 and before enactment of this bill;
- allows payment of necessary expenses for the transportation of a decedent's remains to two locations (if the second is a national cemetery);
- allows payment of financial assistance to civilian providers of child care or youth program services furnished to survivors of members who die in the line of duty while on active duty, active duty for training, or inactive duty for training; and
- provides continued eligibility of a remarried surviving spouse for payment of veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation, including a surviving spouse who remarried before the age of 57 and before enactment of this bill.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 22, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 29, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Mar 28, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Mar 27, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 27, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.