

HR 2371

HEARTS Act of 2019

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Apr 25, 2019

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Apr 26, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Apr 25, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 26, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 26, 2019
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 25, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3429	Related bill	<b>Dec 7, 2020:</b> Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 116-620, Part I.
116 HR 3416	Related bill	<b>Jun 24, 2019:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## **Health Equity and Access for Returning Troops and Servicemembers Act of 2019 or the HEARTS Act of 2019**

This bill makes a series of changes relating to Medicare coverage and requirements, particularly with respect to military retirees.

Specifically, the bill (1) exempts certain military retirees who are under 65 years of age, and who no longer receive Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, from the requirement to enroll in Medicare medical services in order to be eligible for TRICARE; (2) increases funding for the Medicare Improvement Fund; and (3) temporarily provides for Medicare coverage of certain prostate cancer DNA Specimen Provenance Assay tests.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Apr 25, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 25, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Armed Services, 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.
- **Apr 25, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.