

## S 318

### VA Newborn Emergency Treatment Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

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**Current Status:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-179.

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 29, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jan 28, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 22, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 2752	Identical bill	Sep 11, 2019: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

## **VA Newborn Emergency Treatment Act**

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to furnish transportation in connection with the receipt of covered health care services for a newborn child of a woman veteran (and the child's parents). The bill expands covered health care services to include services furnished at health care facilities other than the facility where the child was delivered.

Under the bill, the VA may furnish more than seven days of health care services and transportation to such services if a child is in need of additional care.

Expenses incurred for transportation furnished in order for a newborn child of a veteran to receive health care services prior to the enactment of this bill may be waived or reimbursed to the veteran by the VA.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 22, 2019:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-179.
- **Feb 4, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 4, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.