

## S 3446

Expedite Agent Orange Coverage Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Mar 11, 2020

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Mar 11, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/3446>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 11, 2020
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 11, 2020
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Mar 11, 2020
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Mar 11, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 11, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1482	Related bill	<b>Mar 29, 2019:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

### Summary (as of Mar 11, 2020)

#### Expedite Agent Orange Coverage Act of 2020

This bill reinstates and extends through September 30, 2025, the authority of the Department of Veterans Affairs to determine and regulate diseases that warrant a presumption of service-connection after exposure to an herbicide agent. Under a presumption of service-connection, specific diseases diagnosed in certain veterans are presumed to have been caused by the circumstances of their military service. Health care benefits may then be awarded.

## Actions Timeline

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