

HR 3517

Restore Honor to Service Members Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Armed Services Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 27, 2019 |
| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House | Referred to | Jul 16, 2019 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 1991 | Identical bill | Jun 26, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. |

Restore Honor to Service Members Act

This bill requires the Department of Defense (DOD) to review the discharge characterization of a service member who was discharged on the basis of sexual orientation (i.e., on the basis of Don't Ask Don't Tell or a similar policy) if the service member requests such a review. If the service member's discharge is characterized as other than honorable, and if there were no aggravating circumstances that would have independently caused the discharge to be characterized as other than honorable, then DOD must change its characterization of the discharge to honorable.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 16, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jun 27, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Jun 26, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 26, 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.

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