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Veterans Claim Transparency Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: May 19, 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. (May 19, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]

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

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| Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD] | R · SD | | Nov 18, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | May 19, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 19, 2020)

Veterans Claim Transparency Act of 2020

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide an opportunity for a veteran's representative to review the veteran's disability rating determination before the rating is finalized.

Under the bill, the VA must provide notice to such representative when the determination is ready to be reviewed. The period for review begins at the moment notice is submitted and ends at the earlier of (1) the moment the representative agrees with the determination, or (2) 48 hours after the notice.

The VA may not finalize a determination until after the period for review has ended.

Actions Timeline

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