

S 4287

COVID–19 Benefits for Active Duty Servicemembers, the Reserve Components, and their Survivors Act of 2020

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** KS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

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Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 22, 2020
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Jul 22, 2020
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jul 22, 2020
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Jul 22, 2020
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Jul 23, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 22, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 7728	Identical bill	Oct 6, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
116 S 4320	Related bill	Jul 27, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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This bill establishes, for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs benefits, a presumption of service-connection if COVID-19 symptoms manifest within a specified time period in individuals serving in the military or reserves during qualified periods of duty (i.e., active duty, training duty, or full-time National Guard duty). For individuals who become disabled or die as a result of COVID-19, it shall be presumed the individual became disabled or died during a qualified period of duty.

An individual who was disabled or died due to COVID-19 and was on training duty or full-time National Guard duty shall be furnished death or disability benefits as if the individual were a veteran, without regard to whether their duty period would constitute active military service.

Actions Timeline

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