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K2 Veterans Advocacy Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 30, 2020
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Sep 30, 2020
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Oct 1, 2020
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Nov 16, 2020
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Nov 16, 2020
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Nov 16, 2020
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Nov 16, 2020
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Nov 30, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 15, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to enter into an agreement with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry to complete a study to identify and assess any causation or correlation between exposure to toxicants at the Karshi-Khanabad (K2) Air Base in Uzbekistan between October 7, 2001, and November 21, 2005, and incidents of cancer or other diseases in members of the Armed Forces.

The bill also expands the definition of an open burn pit, for purposes of the VA's open burn pit registry, to include burn pits located on land in Uzbekistan. A burn pit is an area used for burning solid waste in open air without equipment.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 15, 2020:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Reported by Senator Moran without amendment. Without written report.
- **Sep 15, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 546.
- **Aug 5, 2020:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 30, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 30, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.