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Caring for the Survivors and Families of Veterans Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Sep 16, 2020)

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Sep 22, 2020 |
| Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE] | D · DE | | Oct 21, 2020 |
| Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ] | D · AZ | | Oct 21, 2020 |
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR] | D · OR | | Dec 3, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | Sep 16, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 8559 | Related bill | Oct 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |
| 116 HR 6933 | Related bill | Jun 16, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. |

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This bill adjusts the amount that the Department of Veterans Affairs pays to surviving spouses and children of veterans who were rated as totally disabled for a period of less than 10 years before their death.

Additionally, the bill authorizes the furnishing of dependency and indemnity compensation for surviving spouses who remarry after the age of 55.

Actions Timeline

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