

HR 5637

Michael Lecik Military Firefighters Protection Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 7, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 16, 2020)

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This bill establishes a presumption of service-connection for specified diseases becoming manifest in certain veterans to a degree of disability of 10% or more within 15 years of the veteran's separation from active military, naval, or air service. Under a presumption of service-connection, specific diseases or disabilities diagnosed in certain veterans are presumed to have been caused by the circumstances of their military service. Health care benefits and disability compensation may then be awarded.

Veterans addressed by this bill are those who (1) trained in fire suppression, and (2) served on active duty in a military occupational specialty or career field with a primary responsibility of firefighting or damage control for at least five years in the aggregate.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 7, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jan 30, 2020:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H740)
- **Jan 16, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 16, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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