HR 5682

Care for Veterans Act of 2020

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Chamber: House
Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security
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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. (Feb 7, 2020)
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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 7, 2020
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1024	Related bill	**Apr 3, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Summary (as of Jan 27, 2020)

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This bill requires hospital care and medical services to be furnished to veterans and reservists who were exposed to volatile organic compounds, including trichloroethylene and benzene, while serving at Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda, Michigan. Family members of veterans and reservists who resided at Wurtsmith Air Force Base are also eligible for hospital care and medical services under this bill.

The bill also provides a presumption of service connection for veterans and reservists who were exposed to volatile organic compounds while serving at Wurtsmith Air Force Base. Under a presumption of service connection, specific conditions 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.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 7, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 7, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jan 27, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 27, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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