

HR 6493

Veterans Benefits Fairness and Transparency Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** KY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 16, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 7952	Related bill	Oct 6, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Apr 14, 2020)

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This bill updates the placement and treatment of the disability benefit questionnaire form of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Specifically, the bill requires the VA to publish the disability benefit questionnaire form in a central location on a VA website. Such a form relates to the submission of evidence by private medical providers regarding the disability of a claimant.

If the VA modifies the disability benefit questionnaire form, the VA must accept the previous version of the form filed by a claimant if (1) the claimant files such form during the one-year period following the modification, and (2) the form is signed and dated by the medical provider and is otherwise complete and valid.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 16, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jul 23, 2020:** Committee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 14, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 14, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.