

## HR 8257

### Transparency for Wounded Warriors Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

**Introduced:** Sep 15, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Sep 15, 2020)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MI • **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 15, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 8813	Related bill	<b>Nov 24, 2020:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

### Summary (as of Sep 15, 2020)

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This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide specified information to a member of the uniformed services regarding a denial for traumatic injury benefits under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program. Specifically, the bill requires the VA to provide the member with (1) the reason for the denial, including a description of all the information upon which the denial is based; and (2) an explanation and citation of the applicable laws, regulations, or policies upon which the denial is based. Any undisclosed reason, information, or explanation is not usable by the VA as a basis to deny a subsequent review or appeal by an individual regarding a denial of a claim for benefits.

## Actions Timeline

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