

HR 1276

SAVE LIVES Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]

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

Cosponsors (54 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Feb 24, 2021
Del. Radewagen, Aumua Amata Coleman [R-AS-At Large]	R · AS		Feb 25, 2021
Del. Sablan, Gregorio Kilili Camacho [D-MP-At Large]	D · MP		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Cawthorn, Madison [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Mann, Tracey [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Gregory [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Nehls, Troy E. [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Roy, Chip [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Mar 2, 2021
Rep. Meijer, Peter [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Mar 2, 2021
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Mar 2, 2021
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Mar 3, 2021
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Mar 8, 2021

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Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Gonzales, Tony [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. Jacobs, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Mar 9, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Mar 9, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 16, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 682	Related bill	Mar 10, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Strengthening and Amplifying Vaccination Efforts to Locally Immunize All Veterans and Every Spouse Act or the SAVE LIVES Act

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to furnish a COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) vaccine to covered individuals during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Under the bill, covered individuals are

- veterans who are not eligible to enroll in the VA health care system;
- specified veterans who are eligible for hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care abroad;
- beneficiaries who are eligible for care due to a specified disability or death of a veteran;
- family caregivers of veterans who are participating in the VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers;
- caregivers of veterans participating in the VA's Program of General Caregiver Support Services;
- caregivers of veterans participating in the VA's Medical Foster Home Program, Bowel and Bladder Program, Home Based Primary Care Program, or Veteran Directed Care Program; and
- the spouses of veterans.

The VA must prioritize the vaccination of (1) veterans who are enrolled in the VA health care system, (2) veterans who fail to enroll but receive hospital care and medical services for specified disabilities in their first 12 months of separation from service, and (3) caregivers accompanying such prioritized veterans.

Under the bill, the VA is authorized to determine the timing for offering a vaccine to the spouse of a veteran.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 16, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 24, 2021:** Signed by President.
- **Mar 24, 2021:** Became Public Law No: 117-4.
- **Mar 23, 2021:** Presented to President.
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Mr. Takano asked unanimous consent to take the bill, H.R. 1276, from the Speaker's Table and agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H1603)
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to without objection.(text: CR H1603)
- **Mar 19, 2021:** On motion that the House agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to without objection. (text: CR H1603)
- **Mar 19, 2021:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 18, 2021:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Mar 17, 2021:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S1620)
- **Mar 17, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote.(text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S1620)
- **Mar 17, 2021:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Voice Vote. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S1620)
- **Mar 10, 2021:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Mr. Takano asked unanimous consent to discharge from committee and consider.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H1178; text: CR H1178)
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** On passage Passed without objection.
- **Mar 9, 2021:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 24, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 24, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.