

HR 1448

PAWS for Veterans Therapy Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]

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

Cosponsors (250 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Radewagen, Aumua Amata Coleman [R-AS-At Large]	R · AS		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Armstrong, Kelly [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Auchincloss, Jake [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Barr, Andy [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bice, Stephanie I. [R-OK-5]	R · OK		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Dan [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Buck, Ken [R-CO-4]	R · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Bucshon, Larry [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Budd, Ted [R-NC-13]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Burchett, Tim [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Carl, Jerry L. [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cawthorn, Madison [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cheney, Liz [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Comer, James [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Cooper, Jim [D-TN-5]	D · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021

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Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Crawford, Eric A. "Rick" [R-AR-1]	R · AR		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Curtis, John R. [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Davidson, Warren [R-OH-8]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Estes, Ron [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Fleischmann, Charles J. "Chuck" [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Fulcher, Russ [R-ID-1]	R · ID		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gallagher, Mike [R-WI-8]	R · WI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Garcia, Mike [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gimenez, Carlos A. [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gooden, Lance [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Graves, Garret [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Green, Mark E. [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hagedorn, Jim [R-MN-1]	R · MN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Herrell, Yvette [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Mar 1, 2021

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Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Higgins, Clay [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hill, J. French [R-AR-2]	R · AR		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hinson, Ashley [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-2]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Joyce, John [R-PA-13]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]	D · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kelly, Trent [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Kustoff, David [R-TN-8]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. LaMalfa, Doug [R-CA-1]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Latta, Robert E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Loudermilk, Barry [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-3]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Mace, Nancy [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Massie, Thomas [R-KY-4]	R · KY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McCaul, Michael T. [R-TX-10]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McClintock, Tom [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021

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Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McHenry, Patrick T. [R-NC-10]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Miller, Carol D. [R-WV-3]	R · WV		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-2]	R · IA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK-2]	R · OK		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Gregory [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Pence, Greg [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Perry, Scott [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Reed, Tom [R-NY-23]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rose, John W. [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Roy, Chip [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Mar 1, 2021

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Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Scalise, Steve [R-LA-1]	R · LA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-17]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	R · ID		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Stauber, Pete [R-MN-8]	R · MN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Steil, Bryan [R-WI-1]	R · WI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Stewart, Chris [R-UT-2]	R · UT		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Taylor, Van [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Tenney, Claudia [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Torres, Norma J. [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-21]	R · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Webster, Daniel [R-FL-11]	R · FL		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Mar 1, 2021

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Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25]	R · TX		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Womack, Steve [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Mar 1, 2021
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Mar 1, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Delgado, Antonio [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Granger, Kay [R-TX-12]	R · TX		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Guest, Michael [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Jones, Mondaire [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Newman, Marie [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]	D · MN		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Ruppertsberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Hern, Kevin [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Nunes, Devin [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Mar 17, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	May 4, 2021
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Aug 6, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 613	Related bill	Jun 23, 2021: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 117-231.
117 HRES 380	Related bill	May 12, 2021: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of Aug 25, 2021)

Puppies Assisting Wounded Servicemembers for Veterans Therapy Act or the PAWS for Veterans Therapy Act

This bill implements a program and a policy related to service dog therapy for veterans. Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to implement a five-year pilot program to provide canine training to eligible veterans diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder as an element of a complementary and integrative health program. Eligible veterans are those who are enrolled in the VA health care system and have been recommended for participation by a qualified mental health care provider or clinical team.

The VA must seek to enter agreements containing specified elements with accredited nongovernmental entities that have demonstrated ability to provide canine training.

Veterans who participate in the program are authorized to adopt the dog they assisted in training if their health provider determines it is in the best interest of the veteran.

The VA must establish processes to document and track the progress of participating veterans with respect to health benefits and improvements.

The Government Accountability Office must brief Congress and submit a report on the program.

The bill also authorizes the VA to provide service dogs to veterans with mental illnesses, regardless of whether they have a mobility impairment.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 25, 2021:** Signed by President.
- **Aug 25, 2021:** Became Public Law No: 117-37.
- **Aug 20, 2021:** Presented to President.
- **Aug 9, 2021:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S5990)
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- **Aug 6, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Aug 6, 2021:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.
- **May 13, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 12, 2021:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 117-31.
- **May 12, 2021:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 16.
- **May 12, 2021:** Mr. Takano moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 12, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2212-2215)
- **May 12, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1448.
- **May 12, 2021:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 12, 2021:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 380, proceedings on H.R. 1448 are considered vacated.
- **May 12, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 6 of H. Res. 380, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 297; H.R. 433; H.R. 478; H.R. 586; H.R. 721, as amended; H.R. 768; H.R. 810; H.R. 1205; H.R. 1260, as amended; H.R. 1324; H.R. 1448, as amended; H.R. 1475, as amended; H.R. 1480, as amended; H.R. 2862, as amended; H.R. 2955; and H.R. 2981.(consideration: CR H2235-2246; text: CR H2240)
- **May 12, 2021:** Pursuant to section 6 of H. Res. 380, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 297; H.R. 433; H.R. 478; H.R. 586; H.R. 721, as amended; H.R. 768; H.R. 810; H.R. 1205; H.R. 1260, as amended; H.R. 1324; H.R. 1448, as amended; H.R. 1475, as amended; H.R. 1480, as amended; H.R. 2862, as amended; H.R. 2955; and H.R. 2981. (consideration: CR H2235-2246; text: CR H2240)
- **May 4, 2021:** Subcommittee on Health Discharged.
- **May 4, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 4, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 15, 2021:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Apr 14, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 18, 2021:** Motion to place bill on Consensus Calendar filed by Mr. Stivers.
- **Mar 1, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 1, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.