

S 1532

Jobs and Childcare for Military Families Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Taxation

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S2)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S2416-2417) (May 10, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** VA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		May 10, 2021
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		May 10, 2021
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Jul 19, 2021
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Aug 2, 2021
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Aug 4, 2021
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2021
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Oct 5, 2021
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Oct 26, 2021
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Dec 7, 2021
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 14, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 10, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2974	Related bill	Jun 13, 2022: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Beyer asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 2974, a bill originally introduced by Representative Delgado, for the purpose of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection.
117 HR 148	Related bill	Jan 4, 2021: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Summary (as of May 10, 2021)

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This bill allows an employer a work opportunity tax credit for hiring an individual who is certified by a designated local agency as being, as of the hiring date, the spouse or domestic partner of a member of the Armed Forces, and requires the creation of programs for uniformed services families to pay for childcare on a pretax basis.

Specifically, an employer may receive a tax credit equal to 40% of a new employee's first-year wages if the employer hires a service member's spouse or domestic partner (as recognized under state law or by the Armed Forces). Currently, a similar tax credit exists for employers who hire certain disadvantaged individuals, including disadvantaged veterans.

The bill requires the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security (with respect to the Coast Guard), the Department of Commerce (with respect to officers of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), and the Department of Health and Human Services (with respect to the Public Health Service) to implement flexible spending arrangements that permit members of the uniformed services to use basic pay and compensation to pay for childcare services for their dependent children on a pretax basis.

Actions Timeline

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