

## S 1779

### Veterans Preventive Health Coverage Fairness Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 20, 2021
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jul 22, 2021
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Oct 4, 2021
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Oct 7, 2021
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Oct 19, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Oct 20, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 4486	Related bill	<b>Jun 23, 2022:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
117 HR 3452	Related bill	<b>Jul 14, 2021:</b> Subcommittee Hearings Held.

## **Veterans Preventive Health Coverage Fairness Act**

This bill eliminates veterans' copayments for medication, hospital care, and medical services related to preventive health services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The bill expands the definition of *preventive health services* to include (1) evidence-based items or services that have an A or B rating in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; (2) immunizations that have a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; and (3) with respect to women, the preventive care and screenings provided for in the Health Resources and Services Administration Preventive Services Guidelines in effect as of the date of enactment of this bill.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 20, 2021:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.
- **May 20, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 20, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.