

## HR 2269

To modify the presumption of service connection for veterans who were exposed to herbicide agents while serving in the Armed Forces in Thailand during the Vietnam era, and for other purposes.

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**Chamber:** House

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

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### Sponsor

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

**Cosponsors** (67 total)

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Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Apr 8, 2021
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Apr 8, 2021

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Rep. Tiffany, Thomas P. [R-WI-7]	R · WI		Apr 28, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		May 12, 2021
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Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Mar 1, 2022
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Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Dec 20, 2022

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 22, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 657	Identical bill	<b>Apr 28, 2021:</b> Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure that, if it creates a presumption of service-connection between the occurrence of a disease and exposure to an herbicide agent while serving in the Armed Forces between January 9, 1962, and June 30, 1976, at a military base in Thailand, such presumption must also apply to exposure at any military base in Thailand, regardless of where on the base the veteran was located or what military job specialty the veteran performed.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 22, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Mar 26, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 26, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.