

HR 2339

Military Hunger Prevention Act

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Apr 1, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Apr 1, 2021
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Apr 1, 2021
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Apr 8, 2021
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Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Apr 19, 2021
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Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		May 7, 2021
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		May 7, 2021
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		May 11, 2021
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		May 11, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 11, 2021
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		May 13, 2021
Rep. Houlahan, Chrissy [D-PA-6]	D · PA		May 13, 2021
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		May 13, 2021
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		May 13, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		May 17, 2021
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		May 17, 2021
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		May 17, 2021
Rep. Norman, Ralph [R-SC-5]	R · SC		May 17, 2021
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		May 18, 2021
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		May 21, 2021
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Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		May 28, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		May 28, 2021
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Wild, Susan [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Jun 4, 2021
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Jun 11, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Jun 22, 2021
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jun 29, 2021

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Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Jul 1, 2021
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 2, 2021
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jul 2, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jul 2, 2021
Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jul 2, 2021
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Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jul 26, 2021
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Rep. Kahele, Kaiali'i [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Sep 20, 2021
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Sep 21, 2021
Rep. Schrier, Kim [D-WA-8]	D · WA		Sep 29, 2021
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Oct 15, 2021
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Oct 19, 2021
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Nov 2, 2021
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Nov 12, 2021
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Dec 1, 2021
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Dec 1, 2021
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2021
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Feb 25, 2022
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		May 19, 2022
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Aug 12, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 1, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1488	Identical bill	Apr 29, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

Summary (as of Apr 1, 2021)

Military Hunger Prevention Act

This bill requires the Department of Defense (DOD) to pay a basic needs allowance to certain low-income members of the Armed Forces. Specifically, those eligible for the basic needs allowance are members who (1) have completed initial entry training, (2) have a gross household income that did not exceed an amount equal to 130% of the federal poverty guidelines of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and (3) do not elect to decline the allowance.

In situations where a household contains two or more eligible members, the bill specifies that only one allowance may be paid per year to one member they jointly elect.

The amount of the allowance must be the aggregate amount equal to 130% of the HHS federal poverty guidelines minus the gross household income of the covered member during the preceding year divided by 12.

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) of DOD must notify, in writing, individuals determined to be eligible for the allowance. The notice must include information regarding financial management and assistance programs administered by DOD for which the individuals are also eligible.

Individuals who seek to receive the allowance must submit specified information to DFAS.

Actions Timeline

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