

HR 2523

THRIVE Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 14, 2021
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 19, 2021
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	May 28, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2492	Related bill	Jul 14, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
117 HRES 330	Related bill	Apr 20, 2021: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Training in High-demand Roles to Improve Veteran Employment Act or the THRIVE Act

This bill makes updates to Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) training and education policies and programs, including by amending the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020.

(Sec. 2) In implementing the VA's rapid retraining assistance program, the list of high-demand occupations must be prepared in conjunction with the Department of Labor. The VA may add and remove occupations as appropriate.

The bill excludes programs pursued solely through distance learning on a half-time basis or less from the housing stipend available to those participating in the retraining program.

The VA must contact program participants to notify them about employment placement services after they begin the program and upon either completion of the program or termination of participation in the program.

The VA must seek to enter a memorandum of understanding with one or more qualified nonprofit organizations for the purpose of facilitating the employment of veterans who participate in the program.

The Government Accountability Office must report on the outcomes and effectiveness of the retraining program.

(Sec. 3) The VA must provide veterans and members of the Armed Forces with information about whether (1) a postsecondary education institution is listed on the College Navigator website as being affiliated with a certain religion, (2) an institution is minority serving, and (3) an institution is gender-specific. The VA must provide information about postsecondary education and training opportunities in a searchable format.

(Sec. 5) The bill includes for-profit educational institutions that are converted to public educational institutions in the annual risk-based survey the state approving agency must conduct.

(Sec. 6) The VA must take certain disciplinary action when any person with whom an educational institution has an agreement for marketing, advertising, educational programs, recruiting, or admissions services engages in specified behaviors, such as providing a type of incentive payment to persons engaged in student recruiting. Under the bill, such disciplinary actions may include suspending the approval of courses and programs offered by the institution or revoking the approval of courses and programs.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 8, 2021:** Signed by President.
- **Jun 8, 2021:** Became Public Law No: 117-16.
- **Jun 7, 2021:** Presented to President.
- **May 28, 2021:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S3929-3930)
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- **May 28, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.
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- **May 28, 2021:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Apr 22, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Mr. Takano moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1965-1968; text: CR H1965-1967)
- **Apr 20, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2523.
- **Apr 20, 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.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 330, proceedings on H.R. 2523 are considered vacated.
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 6 of H. Res. 330, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 367; H.R. 370; H.R. 396; H.R. 397, as amended; H.R. 408; H.R. 490; H.R. 965, as amended; H.R. 1251, as amended; H.R. 1395; H.R. 1491; H.R. 1528; H.R. 1532; H.R. 1565; H.R. 1602; and H.R. 2523, as amended; and the following resolution was agreed to under suspension of the rules: H. Res. 124, as amended.(consideration: CR H1979-1994; text: CR H1990-1992)
- **Apr 20, 2021:** Pursuant to section 6 of H. Res. 330, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 367; H.R. 370; H.R. 396; H.R. 397, as amended; H.R. 408; H.R. 490; H.R. 965, as amended; H.R. 1251, as amended; H.R. 1395; H.R. 1491; H.R. 1528; H.R. 1532; H.R. 1565; H.R. 1602; and H.R. 2523, as amended; and the following resolution was agreed to under suspension of the rules: H. Res. 124, as amended. (consideration: CR H1979-1994; text: CR H1990-1992)
- **Apr 19, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Apr 14, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 14, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.