

HR 2878

Native VetSuccess at Tribal Colleges and Universities Pilot Program Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Apr 28, 2021

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (May 19, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4] | R · OK | | Apr 28, 2021 |
| Rep. Johnson, Dusty [R-SD-At Large] | R · SD | | Apr 28, 2021 |
| Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1] | D · AZ | | Apr 28, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House | Markup By | May 4, 2021 |
| Veterans' Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | May 19, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 HRES 403 | Related bill | May 18, 2021: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection. |
| 117 HR 2419 | Related bill | May 4, 2021: Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 6. |
| 117 HR 2335 | Related bill | Apr 28, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. |

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This bill directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to take specified actions to assist veterans with education, employment, and housing.

First, the bill requires the VA to carry out a five-year pilot program to provide on-campus benefits assistance and counseling to eligible students at tribal colleges and universities. An eligible student is a student who (1) is a veteran, a service member, or a dependent of a veteran or service member; and (2) is eligible for any service or benefit under the VetSuccess on Campus program.

Next, the bill increases through FY2023 the annual funding limit for the Veteran Employment Through Technology Education Courses pilot program.

In addition, the bill authorizes the VA to provide educational assistance, including a monthly housing stipend, to an eligible veteran who is pursuing an educational program on less than a half-time basis during the veteran's last semester, term, or academic period of enrollment.

The bill extends to December 9, 2030, certain housing loan fees under the VA home loan program.

Finally, the bill extends to September 30, 2025, the authority of the VA to enter into agreements with certain entities to provide housing assistance for homeless veterans. The bill also revises the program, including by allowing the VA to enter into agreements with tribal entities.

Actions Timeline

- **May 19, 2021:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 18, 2021:** Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 403, proceedings on H.R. 2878 are considered vacated.
- **May 18, 2021:** Passed/agreed to in House: Pursuant to section 5 of H. Res. 403, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 144, as amended; H.R. 204, as amended; H.R. 210, as amended; H.R. 240; H.R. 707, as amended; H.R. 711, as amended; H.R. 1157, as amended; H.R. 1447, as amended; H.R. 1510, as amended; H.R. 1711, as amended; H.R. 2027; H.R. 2167, as amended; H.R. 2441; H.R. 2494; H.R. 2533; H.R. 2655, as amended; H.R. 2695, H.R. 2704; H.R. 2788; H.R. 2878, as amended; and H.R. 3008.(consideration: CR H2482-2520; text: CR H2518-2519)
- **May 18, 2021:** Pursuant to section 5 of H. Res. 403, and the motion offered by Mr. Hoyer, the following bills passed under suspension of the rules: H.R. 144, as amended; H.R. 204, as amended; H.R. 210, as amended; H.R. 240; H.R. 707, as amended; H.R. 711, as amended; H.R. 1157, as amended; H.R. 1447, as amended; H.R. 1510, as amended; H.R. 1711, as amended; H.R. 2027; H.R. 2167, as amended; H.R. 2441; H.R. 2494; H.R. 2533; H.R. 2655, as amended; H.R. 2695, H.R. 2704; H.R. 2788; H.R. 2878, as amended; and H.R. 3008. (consideration: CR H2482-2520; text: CR H2518-2519)
- **May 18, 2021:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **May 17, 2021:** Mr. Takano moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 17, 2021:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2369-2372; text: CR H2369-2370)
- **May 17, 2021:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2878.
- **May 17, 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.
- **May 4, 2021:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 4, 2021:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 28, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 28, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.