

S 3013

Save Our Servicemembers Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]

Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (38 total)

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| Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO] | D · CO | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT] | D · CT | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO] | R · MO | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX] | R · TX | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND] | R · ND | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID] | R · ID | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT] | R · MT | | Oct 20, 2021 |
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| Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA] | R · IA | | Oct 20, 2021 |
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| Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI] | D · HI | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND] | R · ND | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS] | R · MS | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ] | D · AZ | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME] | I · ME | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN] | D · MN | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Marshall, Roger [R-KS] | R · KS | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK] | R · AK | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Ossoff, Jon [D-GA] | D · GA | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA] | D · CA | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID] | R · ID | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV] | D · NV | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL] | R · FL | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL] | R · FL | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH] | D · NH | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK] | R · AK | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC] | R · NC | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Tuberville, Tommy [R-AL] | R · AL | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD] | D · MD | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA] | D · VA | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR] | D · OR | | Oct 20, 2021 |
| Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH] | D · OH | | Oct 26, 2021 |
| Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC] | R · SC | | Oct 26, 2021 |
| Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH] | D · NH | | Oct 26, 2021 |
| Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI] | D · MI | | Nov 2, 2021 |
| Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI] | D · MI | | Sep 15, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Armed Services Committee | Senate | Referred To | Oct 20, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|----------------|--|
| 117 HR 5645 | Identical bill | Oct 20, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services. |

Summary (as of Oct 20, 2021)

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This bill requires the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness within the Department of Defense (DOD) to evaluate and standardize DOD's suicide prevention efforts.

Specifically, the bill directs the Defense Suicide Prevention Office to collaborate with each military department to (1) develop and implement a process to ensure that individual nonclinical suicide prevention efforts are assessed for effectiveness, and (2) develop consistent suicide-related definitions for use throughout DOD. The bill also requires the use of such suicide-related definitions in any updated policies of DOD or each military department.

Actions Timeline

- Oct 20, 2021: Introduced in Senate
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