

S 3299

A bill to prohibit the Department of Defense from discharging or withholding pay or benefits from members of the National Guard based on COVID-19 vaccination status.

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Dec 1, 2021

Current Status: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 174.

Latest Action: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 174. (Dec 2, 2021)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/3299>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	R · TX		Dec 6, 2021
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Dec 8, 2021

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 6178	Identical bill	Dec 8, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

Summary (as of Dec 1, 2021)

This bill prohibits the Department of Defense (DOD) from taking specified actions against a member of the National Guard based on whether the member has received a COVID-19 vaccine. Specifically, DOD may not (1) involuntarily discharge or discipline the member, (2) withhold pay or benefits from the member, or (3) prohibit the member from participating in training or using equipment.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 2, 2021:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 174.
- **Dec 1, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Dec 1, 2021:** Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.