

## HR 4104

Vanessa Guillén Military Justice Improvement and Increasing Prevention Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

**Introduced:** Jun 23, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services. (Jun 23, 2021)

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Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Aug 27, 2021
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 23, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2792	Related bill	<b>Sep 22, 2021:</b> An errata sheet on written report No. 117-39 was printed.
117 S 1520	Related bill	<b>Apr 29, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

## Summary (as of Jun 23, 2021)

### Vanessa Guillén Military Justice Improvement and Increasing Prevention Act

This bill modifies the process and policy related to the disposition of charges and convening of courts-martial for certain sexual assault cases and other specified offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

Among other elements, the bill provides that the determinations on the preferral, disposition, and referral of charges for specified offenses under the UCMJ must be made by a commissioned officer of the Armed Forces who is designated as a court-martial convening authority (in grade O-6 or higher) and who is available for detail as trial counsel, has significant trial experience, and is outside the chain of command of the member subject to the charges.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jun 23, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 23, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

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