

## HR 4400

Burn Pit Registry Expansion Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jul 9, 2021
Rep. Slotkin, Elissa [D-MI-8]	D · MI		Jul 9, 2021
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jul 9, 2021
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 7, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4350	Related bill	Mar 1, 2022: Returned to the Calendar. Calendar No. 144.

### Summary (as of Jul 9, 2021)

#### Burn Pit Registry Expansion Act

This bill expands the scope of the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry of the Department of Veterans Affairs by including burn pits located in Egypt and Syria under the definition of *open burn pits*. The registry allows certain veterans and service members to document their exposures and report health concerns related to exposure to toxic airborne chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits (areas used for burning solid waste in open air without equipment) while serving in certain locations.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 7, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jul 9, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 9, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.