

HR 5321

Unlawful Turn-Aways Act of 2021

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Sep 21, 2021

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. (Sep 30, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]

Party: Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1] | D · NH | | Sep 21, 2021 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House | Referred to | Sep 30, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 S 2786 | Identical bill | Sep 21, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |

Summary (as of Sep 21, 2021)

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This bill addresses training for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) employees regarding discharge eligibility standards for VA benefits and services, requires notification of eligibility for VA benefits and services for individuals who were discharged or released from active service under conditions characterized as neither honorable nor dishonorable, and modifies the requirements of eligibility for certain mental and behavioral health care related to military sexual trauma, readjustment counseling, and related mental health services.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 30, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
- **Sep 21, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 21, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.