

## HR 5905

Sgt. Isaac Woodard, Jr. and Sgt. Joseph H. Maddox GI Bill Restoration Act of 2021

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**Chamber:** House

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

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Nov 5, 2021)

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Rep. Jones, Mondaire [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Jun 8, 2022
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Oct 18, 2022

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Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Oct 18, 2022
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Oct 21, 2022
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Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Dec 14, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 5, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 3210	Identical bill	<b>Nov 15, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

## Summary (as of Nov 5, 2021)

### Sgt. Isaac Woodard, Jr. and Sgt. Joseph H. Maddox GI Bill Restoration Act of 2021

This bill expands eligibility for Post-9/11 GI bill educational assistance benefits and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) home loan program. Specifically, the bill explicitly includes the following persons as eligible veterans:

- Black veterans who served on active duty during World War II who can certify they were denied a specific benefit on the basis of race; and
- the living surviving spouses, children, grandchildren, or other direct descendants of such veterans described above who can certify the veteran was denied a specific benefit on the basis of race.

Such veterans described above must apply for educational or home loan benefits within the five-year period after the passage of this bill to be eligible for benefits.

The Government Accountability Office must report on the number of individuals who received educational or housing loan benefits and the total value of such benefits administered by the VA due to the amendments made by the bill.

Finally, the VA must appoint a panel of independent experts to develop recommendations regarding additional benefits and assistance for female and minority members of the Armed Forces.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 5, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 5, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.