

HR 67

Veteran Overmedication and Suicide Prevention 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 Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 4, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]

Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Jan 4, 2021
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Feb 26, 2021
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Mar 18, 2021
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Apr 8, 2021
Rep. Rice, Tom [R-SC-7]	R · SC		Apr 15, 2021
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		May 20, 2021
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		May 20, 2021
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Jun 23, 2021
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		Sep 3, 2021
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Nov 2, 2021
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Nov 17, 2021
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Nov 23, 2021
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jan 3, 2022
Rep. Kelly, Trent [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Jun 7, 2022
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Jun 7, 2022
Rep. Crow, Jason [D-CO-6]	D · CO		Dec 20, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2021)

Veteran Overmedication and Suicide Prevention Act of 2021

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to contract with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to report on the deaths of covered veterans who died by suicide during the last five years, regardless of whether information relating to such deaths has been reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A covered veteran is any veteran who received VA hospital care or medical services during the five-year period preceding the veteran's death.

Among other elements, the report shall include the total number of covered veterans who died by suicide, violent death, or accidental death, as well as certain demographic information.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 4, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 4, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.