

HR 7337

Access for Veterans to Records Act of 2022

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Government

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (Jul 18, 2022)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]

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

Cosponsors (21 total)

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| Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3] | D · MD | | Jul 7, 2022 |
| Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14] | D · CA | | Jul 7, 2022 |
| Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large] | D · VT | | Jul 7, 2022 |
| Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large] | D · GU | | Jul 11, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jul 18, 2022 |
| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House | Markup By | Apr 6, 2022 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 S 4816 | Related bill | Dec 15, 2022: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 656. |

Summary (as of Jul 14, 2022)

Access for Veterans to Records Act of 2022

This bill directs the Office of the Archivist of the United States to submit to Congress a comprehensive plan for reducing the backlog of requests for records from, and improving the efficiency and responsiveness of operations at, the National Personnel Records Center.

Such plan must include

- an estimate of the number of backlogged record requests for veterans;
- target time frames to reduce the backlog;
- a detailed plan for using existing funds to improve technology infrastructure, including secure access to appropriate agency federal records, to prevent future backlogs;
- actions to improve customer service for requesters;
- measurable goals with respect to the comprehensive plan and metrics for tracking progress toward such goals; and
- strategies to prevent future record request backlogs, including backlogs caused by an event that prevents employees of the center from reporting to work in person.

The office must submit updates of such plan at specified intervals.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 18, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- **Jul 14, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H6609-6610)
- **Jul 14, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 406 - 21 (Roll no. 356).
- **Jul 14, 2022:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 406 - 21 (Roll no. 356). (text: 07/12/2022 CR H5951)
- **Jul 14, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 12, 2022:** Mrs. Maloney, Carolyn B. moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 12, 2022:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5951-5952)
- **Jul 12, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 7337.
- **Jul 12, 2022:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 6, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported in the Nature of a Substitute (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 31, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 31, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Reform.