

HR 855

VETS Safe Travel Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. (Mar 22, 2021)

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Sponsor

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Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Feb 8, 2021
Rep. Hagedorn, Jim [R-MN-1]	R · MN		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Mar 19, 2021
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Apr 19, 2021
Rep. Letlow, Julia [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Jun 14, 2021
Rep. Lesko, Debbie [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		Jul 19, 2021
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Jul 26, 2022
Rep. Franklin, C. Scott [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Sep 15, 2022
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Nov 14, 2022
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Dec 22, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2021
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2280	Identical bill	Jun 21, 2022: Held at the desk.

Summary (as of Feb 5, 2021)

Veterans Expedited TSA Screening Safe Travel Act or the VETS Safe Travel Act

This bill makes certain veterans eligible for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) PreCheck Program at no cost if they meet the program's background check and security requirements.

Veterans who are eligible for this fee waiver are those who are in the annual patient enrollment system of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and require the use of a wheelchair, prosthetic limb, or other assistive device to aid with mobility due to (1) loss, or loss of use, of a limb; (2) full or partial paralyzation; or (3) permanent blindness.

The VA and the TSA must develop and implement a process to provide disabled veterans effective outreach about TSA programs that are designed to improve the screening process for passengers with disabilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.
- **Feb 6, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security.
- **Feb 5, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 5, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.