

S 106

Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jan 26, 2023

Current Status: Held at the desk.

Latest Action: Held at the desk. (Nov 17, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]

Party: Democratic • State: WI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Jan 26, 2023
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Mar 2, 2023
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 21, 2023
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Apr 20, 2023
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Apr 25, 2023
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		May 2, 2023
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		May 10, 2023
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 10, 2023
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 19, 2023
Sen. Fetterman, John [D-PA]	D · PA		Jul 27, 2023
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 21, 2023
Sen. Budd, Ted [R-NC]	R · NC		Sep 28, 2023
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Nov 8, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 10, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 16, 2023)

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide grants to states to implement programs that improve outreach and assistance to veterans and their families to ensure that such individuals are fully informed about veterans' benefits and programs.

Specifically, the VA may provide grants to states to (1) implement or enhance outreach activities or activities to assist in the development and submittal of claims for veterans, or (2) increase the number of county or tribal veterans service officers in the state.

The VA must prioritize awarding grants in areas with a critical shortage of county or tribal veterans service officers, areas with high rates of suicide among veterans, and areas with high rates of referrals to the Veterans Crisis Line.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2023:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 17, 2023:** Held at the desk.
- **Nov 16, 2023:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S5556-5558)
- **Nov 16, 2023:** The committee substitute withdrawn by Unanimous Consent.
- **Nov 16, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S5557-5558)
- **Nov 16, 2023:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S5557-5558)
- **Nov 16, 2023:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 10, 2023:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Reported by Senator Tester with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Jul 10, 2023:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 117.
- **Feb 16, 2023:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jan 26, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 26, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.