

HR 2472

Burn Pit Registry Enhancement Act

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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. (Apr 14, 2023)

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Sponsor

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| Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]  | R · OH        |      | Apr 26, 2023 |
| Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12] | R · FL        |      | Jun 20, 2023 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House   | Referred to | Apr 14, 2023 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action  |
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| 118 S 2078 | Identical bill | Jun 21, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |

## **Burn Pit Registry Enhancement Act**

This bill authorizes specified individuals to update the Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry with the cause of death of a registered individual. The Department of Veterans Affairs established the burn pit registry to allow certain veterans and service members to document their exposures and report health concerns. The registry is for individuals who may have been exposed to toxic airborne chemicals and fumes caused by open burn pits (areas used for burning solid waste in open air without equipment) while deployed in certain locations (e.g., Afghanistan or Iraq).

Specifically, the bill authorizes a designee of a registered individual or an immediate family member to update the registry with the cause of death of the individual.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 14, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 3, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 3, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.