

HR 291

Vaccine Discharge Parity Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Latest Action: Subcommittee Hearings Held. (Mar 30, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Fitzgerald, Scott [R-WI-5]

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

Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Huizenga, Bill [R-MI-4]	R · MI		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Hunt, Wesley [R-TX-38]	R · TX		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Jackson, Ronny [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Jan 11, 2023
Rep. Babin, Brian [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. De La Cruz, Monica [R-TX-15]	R · TX		Jan 12, 2023
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Jan 24, 2023
Rep. Ciscomani, Juan [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Jan 25, 2023
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Mar 14, 2023
Rep. Luttrell, Morgan [R-TX-8]	R · TX		May 9, 2023
Rep. Edwards, Chuck [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Nov 30, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Mar 30, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 11, 2023)

Vaccine Discharge Parity Act

This bill ensures that members of the Armed Forces who were granted a general discharge under honorable conditions (on the sole basis that the members failed to obey a lawful order to receive a vaccine for COVID-19) are eligible for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty and Post-9/11 GI Bill programs.

The bill also extends certain loan fee rates through March 1, 2031, under the VA's home loan program.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 30, 2023:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 8, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Jan 11, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 11, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.