

S 291

A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]	R · TX		Feb 7, 2023
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 7, 2023
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Feb 7, 2023
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Apr 26, 2023
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		May 23, 2024
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Dec 17, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Apr 26, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 3738	Related bill	<b>May 1, 2024:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

This bill establishes the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration to administer economic opportunity assistance programs for veterans and their dependents and survivors.

Specifically, the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration must administer the following Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) programs:

- vocational rehabilitation and employment programs,
- educational assistance programs,
- veterans' housing loan and related programs,
- the Transition Assistance Program, and
- the database of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.

Prior to the transfer of administrative responsibilities, the bill requires the VA to certify that (1) the transition of the provision of services will not negatively affect the provision of such services to veterans, and (2) such services are ready to be transferred.

### **Actions Timeline**

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