

HR 297

To direct the Secretary concerned to reinstate a member involuntarily separated from the Armed Forces solely on the basis of the refusal of such member to receive a vaccination against COVID-19.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 11, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 11, 2023)

This bill requires the military departments to reinstate individuals (upon their request) who were involuntarily separated from the Armed Forces solely based on their refusal to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Such individuals must be reinstated in the grade they held prior to the separation.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 11, 2023:** Introduced in House
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