

## HR 4306

### Michael Lecik Military Firefighters Protection Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

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**Current Status:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.

**Latest Action:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote. (Nov 29, 2023)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Nov 29, 2023

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jun 22, 2023)

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#### **Michael Lecik Military Firefighters Protection Act**

This bill establishes a presumption of service-connection for specified diseases becoming manifest in certain veterans to a degree of disability of 10% or more within 15 years of the veteran's separation from active military, naval, or air service. Under a presumption of service-connection, specific diseases or disabilities diagnosed in certain veterans are presumed to have been caused by the circumstances of their military service. Health care benefits and disability compensation may then be awarded.

Veterans addressed by this bill are those who (1) are trained in fire suppression, and (2) served on active duty in a military occupational specialty or career field with a primary responsibility of firefighting or damage control for at least five years in the aggregate.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 29, 2023:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Nov 29, 2023:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Aug 11, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- **Jun 22, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 22, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.