

HR 502

To amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs repays members of the Armed Forces for certain contributions made by such members towards Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jan 25, 2023

**Current Status:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 29.

**Latest Action:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 29. (Mar 21, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/502>

Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Mar 7, 2023
Rep. Van Orden, Derrick [R-WI-3]	R · WI		Mar 7, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 25, 2023
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 8, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

This bill modifies the process for repaying service members and veterans who paid to keep benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill, but later chose to utilize Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits. Specifically, the bill removes the requirement for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to issue the repayments with the last monthly housing stipend under the Post-9/11 GI Bill. This requirement has limited the repayments to individuals who are receiving stipends. Under the bill, the VA must make such a repayment before the exhaustion of the individual's entitlement to education assistance.

Additionally, the bill extends through November 28, 2031, higher rates for certain loan fees under the VA home loan program.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 21, 2023:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 29.
- **Mar 16, 2023:** Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Mar 8, 2023:** Received in the Senate.
- **Mar 7, 2023:** Mr. Bost moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 7, 2023:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1124-1125)
- **Mar 7, 2023:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 502.
- **Mar 7, 2023:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1124)
- **Mar 7, 2023:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1124)
- **Mar 7, 2023:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 8, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Jan 25, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 25, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.