

## SRES 824

A resolution recognizing September 20, 2024, as "National LGBTQ+ Veterans Day".

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 18, 2024

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Sep 18, 2024)

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This resolution recognizes September 20, 2024, as National LGBTQ+ Veterans Day and celebrates the contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer servicemembers and veterans who have served in the Armed Forces.

Additionally, the resolution (1) regrets the harm done to such servicemembers and veterans under policies that discriminate based on sexual orientation and gender identity, and (2) urges the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense to ensure transgender veterans and servicemembers and their families have access to a full range of health care.

## Actions Timeline

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