

HR 8445

To amend title 38, United States Code, and the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for the eligibility of United States citizens who serve in the Israeli Defense Forces for certain protections relating to such service.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** May 17, 2024

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. (Jul 17, 2024)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Miller, Max L. [R-OH-7]	R · OH		May 17, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 17, 2024)

This bill provides eligibility to U.S. citizens who are serving in the Israeli Defense Forces for benefits and protections available under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA). Specifically, the bill requires the service of such citizens to be regarded in the same manner as service in the uniformed services under USERRA or military service under SCRA.

The USERRA provides protections for members of the uniformed services regarding employment and reemployment rights, including in matters with state and private employers. The SCRA provides financial and legal protections to active-duty servicemembers, including by suspending certain judicial proceedings or financial responsibilities that may adversely affect them during military service.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **May 17, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **May 17, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.