

## S 478

Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act of 2025

**Congress:** 119 (2025–2027, Current)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Feb 6, 2025

**Current Status:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

**Latest Action:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. (Mar 11, 2025)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-bill/478>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]

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

## Cosponsors (30 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Banks, Jim [R-IN]	R · IN		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Ricketts, Pete [R-NE]	R · NE		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Sheehy, Tim [R-MT]	R · MT		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Tuberville, Tommy [R-AL]	R · AL		Feb 6, 2025
Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]	R · KY		Mar 25, 2025
Sen. Budd, Ted [R-NC]	R · NC		Apr 28, 2025
Sen. Justice, James C. [R-WV]	R · WV		Apr 28, 2025
Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		May 5, 2025
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		May 5, 2025
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		May 6, 2025
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		May 6, 2025
Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS]	R · MS		May 6, 2025
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		May 7, 2025
Sen. Husted, Jon [R-OH]	R · OH		May 15, 2025
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		May 19, 2025
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Jun 24, 2025
Sen. Marshall, Roger [R-KS]	R · KS		Sep 2, 2025
Sen. McCormick, David [R-PA]	R · PA		Nov 7, 2025
Sen. Mullin, Markwayne [R-OK]	R · OK		Nov 19, 2025

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Mar 11, 2025

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 1041	Related bill	Jun 5, 2025: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 112.

## **Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act of 2025**

This bill prohibits the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) from transmitting certain information to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) utilized by licensed importers or dealers of firearms.

Specifically, the bill prohibits the VA from transmitting personally identifying information of a veteran or a beneficiary to the NICS solely on the basis that such veteran or beneficiary has an appointed fiduciary to manage their benefits, unless there is an order or finding of a judicial authority that such veteran or beneficiary is a danger to themselves or others.

### **Actions Timeline**

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