

117th Congress

Veteran Bills Being Supported By Rolling Thunder[®], Inc.

- 1) S.657 - A bill to modify the presumption of service connection for veterans** who were exposed to herbicide agents while serving in the Armed Forces in Thailand during the Vietnam era, and for other purposes.
- 2) HR 333 - The Disabled Veteran's tax termination act.**
- 3) H.R.2281 - To award a Congressional Gold Medal** to the United States Army Dust Off crews of the Vietnam War, collectively, in recognition of their extraordinary heroism and life-saving actions in Vietnam.
- 4) S.1198 - A bill to amend title 38**, United States Code, to improve and expand the Solid Start program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.
- 5) S 89 and HR 746 Ensuring Survivor Benefits during Covid-19 Act of 2021.**
- 6) HR 1476 - PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program Act** - This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish the PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program to make grants to eligible entities for peer-to-peer mental health programs for veterans.
- 7) HR 1656 - TREAT PTSD Act** - This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DOD) to furnish stellate ganglion block to certain veterans or members of the Armed Forces (including reserve components) diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Blocking the stellate ganglion (a group of nerves at the base of the neck) by injecting a local anesthetic is a treatment that may alleviate PTSD symptoms.
- 8) HR 1022 - PAWS Act of 2021** - This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to implement a grant program for the purpose of pairing service dogs with eligible veterans. Organizations that receive grants must provide veterinary health insurance coverage, hardware, and travel expenses for each service dog and veteran participating in the program.
- 9) HR 1448 - Puppies Assisting Wounded Servicemembers for Veterans Therapy Act** - This bill implements a program and a policy related to service dog therapy for veterans. Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to implement a five-year pilot program to provide canine training to eligible veterans diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder as an element of a complementary and integrative health program. Eligible veterans are those who are enrolled in the VA health care system and have been recommended for participation by a qualified mental health care provider or clinical team. H.R. 1448 Puppies Assisting Wounded Servicemembers for Veterans Therapy Act was signed into law By President Joe Biden August 25, 2021.
- 10) HR 1123 - Veteran Suicide Prevention Act** - This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to complete a review of the deaths of all covered veterans who died by suicide during the five-year period preceding the enactment of this bill. Covered veterans are those who received VA hospital care or medical services during the five-year period preceding the death of the veteran.