

Union Calendar No. 44

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 366

[Report No. 118-64]

To amend title 38, United States Code, to treat certain individuals who served in Vietnam as a member of the armed forces of the Republic of Korea as a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States for purposes of the provision of health care by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 13, 2023

Mr. TAKANO (for himself, Mrs. KIM of California, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. COLE, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. MENG, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, and Ms. CHU) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

MAY 16, 2023

Additional sponsors: Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. MURPHY, and Mr. VAN ORDEN

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Reported from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Korean American Viet-
5 nam Allies Long Overdue for Relief Act” or the “Korean
6 American VALOR Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF CERTAIN BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS**

8 **WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE**
9 **REPUBLIC OF KOREA.**

10 Section 109 of title 38, United States Code, is
11 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 section:

13 “(d)(1) Any person described in paragraph (2) is eli-
14 gible for the benefits specified in subsection (a) to the
15 same extent and under the same conditions (including
16 with respect to applicable reciprocity requirements) as a
17 discharged member of the armed forces of a government
18 specified in such subsection who is eligible for such bene-
19 fits under such subsection.

20 “(2) A person described in this paragraph is a person
21 whom the Secretary determines served in Vietnam as a
22 member of the armed forces of the Republic of Korea at
23 any time during the period beginning on January 9, 1962,
24 and ending on May 7, 1975, or such other period as deter-

1 mined appropriate by the Secretary for purposes of this
2 subsection.”.

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