

Side-by-Side Comparison of Two Major Veteran Homelessness Bills

Awaiting Senate Action in the 111th Congress, Second Session

Bill number Short title	H.R. 4810 End Veteran Homelessness Act of 2010	S. 1237 Homeless Veterans and Other Veterans Health Care Authorities Act of 2010
Sponsor Action	Bob Filner (D-CA) Passed by House on 3/22/10	Patty Murray (D-WA) Reported favorably with amendments by SVAC on 4/29/10
Status	<i>Referred to SVAC on 3/23/10</i>	<i>Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders on 4/29/10</i>
<i>Grant and Per Diem Program (GPD)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$200 mil in FY 2010. • Strikes "per diem," reimburses grantees for annual cost of services. • N/A • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$200 mil in FY 2014. • Allows VA Secretary one year to study reimbursement rate. • Permits grants to be used for construction of new facilities. • Expands special needs grants by including males with children, allowing dependents to directly receive services.
<i>Housing/Interagency Collaboration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures participating VAMCs employ at least one HUD-VASH outreach specialist. • Coordinates assistance for homeless vets through HUD's Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP). • N/A • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A • N/A • Builds out HUD-VASH to 60,000 vouchers by FY 2013. • Establishes a Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs within HUD.
<i>Financial Assistance/Prevention</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50 mil in FY 2012, \$100 mil in FY 2014 for very low-income vet families in permanent housing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50 mil through FY 2014 to prevent vet homelessness.
<i>Women Veterans</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotes awareness of existing VA programs to homeless women vets, homeless vets with children. • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A • \$10 mil through FY 2014 for reintegration of homeless women vets (includes job training, counseling, placement services, child care).
<i>Data collection</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes a method for data collection and aggregation on homeless vets participating in VA and HUD programs.
<i>Plan to End Veteran Homelessness</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directs VA Secretary to submit a comprehensive plan to end vet homelessness to Congress within one year.