

VFW AUX LEGISLATIVE OVERVIEW

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VFW Supported Bills -- FEDERAL

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VFW 2021 Priority Goals: “This month marked the beginning of the 117th Congress. The 2021 VFW Priority Goals focus on Budget; Health Care; Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs; Education, Employment, and Transition Assistance; Military Quality of Life; and National Security, Foreign Affairs, and POW/MIA. The VFW looks forward to working with the new and returning members of Congress to improve care and benefits for veterans, service members, and their families.” Please see: <https://vfworg-cdn.azureedge.net/-/media/VFWSite/Files/Advocacy/PriorityGoalsBrochure.pdf>

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Senate Committee Holds VA Secretary Confirmation Hearing: “...the Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs held a confirmation hearing to consider Denis R. McDonough for the position of Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The full Senate must vote on McDonough’s nomination before he can be confirmed. McDonough emphasized his qualifications for the position stating, “I can unstick problems inside agencies and across agencies, especially at an agency as large as VA.” Update: Hearings continuing.

State Legislative Efforts

MI Senate Bill 10 (2021), 13 January 2021: ‘A bill to amend 1976 PA 267, entitled Open meetings act, which will permit county veteran services boards to interview veterans in closed meetings regarding the veterans’ applications for requested benefits from the counties.’ Please contact your state legislators to support this bill.

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