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Demand Senate Passes PACT Act: There is no more time for further delays or amendments. Every day that passes without this bill becoming law is another day sick veterans die. Instead of voting to advance the PACT Act to the president's desk, 25 senators changed their votes and no longer support toxic-exposed veterans. The PACT Act is the same bill 84 senators voted in favor of in June. No more delays! No more games! The Senate must pass the PACT Act now! Help us help veterans by immediately contacting your senators via our [Demand the PACT Act Passes](#) action alert.

Senators whose votes changed to NO:

Barrasso (R-WY); Blackburn (R-TN); Blunt (R-MO); Braun (R-IN); Cassidy (R-LA); Cornyn (R-TX); Cotton (R-AR); Cramer (R-ND); Cruz (R-TX); Ernst (R-IA); Fischer (R-NE); Hagerty (R-TN); Hawley (R-MO); Hyde-Smith (R-MS); Inhofe (R-OK); Johnson (R-WI); Kennedy (R-LA); Marshall (R-KS); McConnell (R-KY); Portman (R-OH); Sasse (R-NE); Scott (R-FL); Scott (R-SC); Sullivan (R-AK); and Young (R-IN)



Press Conference on Senate Failure to Advance PACT Act:

VFW Associate Legislative Director Kristina Keenan spoke at a press conference following a failed procedural vote by the Senate to advance the *Honoring our PACT Act*. "The VFW has made our priorities clear. Pass the PACT Act now! No senator should leave for the August recess, for their vacations, or their campaigns, until the PACT Act has passed," said Keenan. Speakers included congressional leadership and representatives from veteran and military organizations, toxic-exposed veterans, and veteran advocate Jon Stewart. [Watch the press conference.](#)



Student Veteran Enrollment Verification: Students receiving Post-9/11 GI Bill housing payments are now required to verify enrollment to VA by the end of each month. Students may choose text message verification to ensure seamless receipt of their Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) payments. [Learn more](#) about the enrollment verification process.



MIA Update: The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency has not announced any new identifications or burial updates this past week.

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