IAVA PRIORITIES FOR THE 118TH CONGRESS

IAVA’s Big 6 - 2024

We’re Ready to See More from America’s Democracy and its Leaders
- 74% of IAVA members are dissatisfied with the way democracy is working in this country.
- Only 12% said they were satisfied.

We Need to Repeal or Reform the 2001 and 2002 Authorizations of Military Force
- 68% of IAVA veterans surveyed want repeal or reform of the 2001 and 2002 AUMFs.
- Only 15% of IAVA veterans told us that they think the AUMFs should be left ‘as-is’.

The Fight for Gender Equality in America Needs to Include Shared Sacrifice - Selective Service
- 75% of IAVA veterans said that women should be required to register.
- Only 16% were opposed.

The Post-9/11 Generation Wants Alternative Therapies - And Now
- Marijuana Safe Harbor Act (H.R. 2682)
- 65% of IAVA veterans stated they support expanding veteran access to psychedelic treatment options within the VA. Only 12% told us they were opposed.

We Need to Have the Backs of Our Afghan Allies
- Afghan Allies Protection Act (S.1786/H.R.3808)

We Need to Have the Backs of Women Veterans and Military Families Post-Dobbs v. Jackson
- Access to Contraception for Servicemembers and Dependents Act (S.1527)
- Equal Access to Contraception for Veterans Act (H.R.894)

Additional IAVA Priorities

Defend and Expand Veterans Education and Economic Opportunities
- Ensure the recent closure of the 90/10 loophole is protected. IAVA strongly opposes any recent efforts to roll back this effort such as the College Cost Reduction Act (H.R. 6951)
- The GI Bill Restoration Act (S.3257/H.R.1255)

Fight Military Sexual Assault and Trauma
- Servicemembers and Veterans Empowerment and Support Act of 2023 (S.1028/ H.R. H.R.2441)

Oversight & Implementation
- Honoring Our PACT Act (P.L 117-168)
- Compact Act (P.L. 116-214)
- National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020 (P.L. 116-172)
- Deborah Sampson Act (P.L. 116-315)
- Commander John Scott Hannon Mental Healthcare Improvement Act (P.L. 116-315)
- Military Justice Improvement and Increasing Prevention Act (P.L. 117-81 & P.L. 117-263)

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