

H.R. 6064, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine for a review of examinations, furnished by the Secretary, to individuals who submit claims to the Secretary for compensation under chapter 11 of title 38, United States Code, for mental and physical conditions linked to military sexual trauma

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on April 6, 2022

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2022	2022-2026	2022-2031
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	2	not estimated
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2032?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

H.R. 6064 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Science, Engineering, and Mathematics (NASEM) to review examinations performed by VA for individuals who apply for disability compensation for mental and physical conditions linked to sexual trauma incurred during military service. Disability compensation is a monthly tax-free benefit paid to veterans who suffer injuries and illnesses as a result of their military service. NASEM would be required to report on its findings within 540 days of entering into the agreement. VA would be required to report to the Congress on its plans to address any findings or recommendations issued by NASEM.

Based on information from NASEM and the cost of similar studies, CBO estimates completing the review and subsequent reports would cost \$2 million over the 2022-2026 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.



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