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Greetings, as fall is here, we can remember that Legislators are working on getting Bills passed and some of these are bills for our Veterans are out lined below.

Remember to get involved by contacting your legislative representative by calling email or if possible, by a personal appearance to give them the idea of what the VFW and VFWA represent, OUR NATIONS VETERANS and ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL!

I have bellow one of the proposed bills that have been submitted to the nation's legislature.

(From the latest action core weekly)

Claims Representative Access Bill Introduced:

TAP Promotion Act, to authorize accredited claims representatives to be present in DOD Transition Assistance Program (TAP) classrooms. This legislation is the companion bill to <u>H.R. 3933</u> introduced by Rep. Van Orden (WI-3). The goal of these bills is to help mitigate gaps in care for transitioning service members who use the VA Benefits Delivery at Discharge program, which provides an expedited VA disability claims pathway for benefits and services. The VFW has been a long-standing supporter of this initiative as a means to reduce suicide risk among recently transitioned veterans.

Our watchful and progressive interest with our veterans is one way to work our Legislative program. Keep involved, be a presence for our veterans. Remember to report your activities and together we can all make the difference!

Have a Blessed Month! & don't let that Chad hang!

Michelle