

**This law (at Section 710(b))  
Extended the protection  
to 1-year through 12/31/2014**

Public Law 112-154  
112th Congress

An Act

To amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care and medical services to veterans who were stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, while the water was contaminated at Camp Lejeune, to improve the provision of housing assistance to veterans and their families, and for other purposes.

Aug. 6, 2012  
[H.R. 1627]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the “Honoring America’s Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012”.

(b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Honoring  
America’s  
Veterans and  
Caring for Camp  
Lejeune Families  
Act of 2012.  
38 USC 101 note.

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. References to title 38, United States Code.
- Sec. 3. Scoring of budgetary effects.

**TITLE I—HEALTH CARE MATTERS**

- Sec. 101. Short title.
- Sec. 102. Hospital care and medical services for veterans stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.
- Sec. 103. Authority to waive collection of copayments for telehealth and telemedicine visits of veterans.
- Sec. 104. Temporary expansion of payments and allowances for beneficiary travel in connection with veterans receiving care from Vet Centers.
- Sec. 105. Contracts and agreements for nursing home care.
- Sec. 106. Comprehensive policy on reporting and tracking sexual assault incidents and other safety incidents.
- Sec. 107. Rehabilitative services for veterans with traumatic brain injury.
- Sec. 108. Teleconsultation and telemedicine.
- Sec. 109. Use of service dogs on property of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Sec. 110. Recognition of rural health resource centers in Office of Rural Health.
- Sec. 111. Improvements for recovery and collection of amounts for Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Care Collections Fund.
- Sec. 112. Extension of authority for copayments.
- Sec. 113. Extension of authority for recovery of cost of certain care and services.

**TITLE II—HOUSING MATTERS**

- Sec. 201. Short title.
- Sec. 202. Temporary expansion of eligibility for specially adapted housing assistance for certain veterans with disabilities causing difficulty with ambulating.
- Sec. 203. Expansion of eligibility for specially adapted housing assistance for veterans with vision impairment.
- Sec. 204. Revised limitations on assistance furnished for acquisition and adaptation of housing for disabled veterans.
- Sec. 205. Improvements to assistance for disabled veterans residing in housing owned by a family member.
- Sec. 206. Department of Veterans Affairs housing loan guarantees for surviving spouses of certain totally disabled veterans.

(1) SECTION HEADING.—The heading of such section is amended by adding at the end the following: “; **VetStar Award Program**”.

38 USC prec. 501.

(2) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 5 is amended by striking the item relating to section 532 and inserting the following new item:

“532. Authority to advertise in national media; VetStar Award Program.”.

**SEC. 710. EXTENDED PERIOD OF PROTECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF UNIFORMED SERVICES RELATING TO MORTGAGES, MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE, AND EVICTION.**

(a) STAY OF PROCEEDINGS AND PERIOD OF ADJUSTMENT OF OBLIGATIONS RELATING TO REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY.—Section 303(b) of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. 533(b)) is amended by striking “within 9 months” and inserting “within one year”.

50 USC app. 533 note.

(b) PERIOD OF RELIEF FROM SALE, FORECLOSURE, OR SEIZURE.—Section 303(c) of such Act (50 U.S.C. App. 533(c)) is amended by striking “within 9 months” and inserting “within one year”.

50 USC app. 533 note.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(d) EXTENSION OF SUNSET.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by subsections (a) and (b) shall expire on December 31, 2014. *5 \**

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (c) of section 2203 of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-289; 50 U.S.C. App. 533 note) is amended to read as follows:

50 USC app. 533 note.

“(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.” *\**

(3) REVIVAL.—Effective January 1, 2013, the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 303 of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. 533), as in effect on July 29, 2008, are hereby revived.

Time periods.

(e) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 540 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report on the protections provided under section 303 of such Act (50 U.S.C. App. 533) during the five-year period ending on the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by paragraph (1) shall include, for the period described in such paragraph, the following:

(A) An assessment of the effects of such section on the long-term financial well-being of servicemembers and their families.

(B) The number of servicemembers who faced foreclosure during a 90-day period, 270-day period, or 365-day period beginning on the date on which the servicemembers completed a period of military service.

(C) The number of servicemembers who applied for a stay or adjustment under subsection (b) of such section.

(D) A description and assessment of the effect of applying for a stay or adjustment under such subsection

*\* per PL 113-286 (att'd)*

on the financial well-being of the servicemembers who applied for such a stay or adjustment.

(E) An assessment of the Secretary of Defense's partnerships with public and private sector entities and recommendations on how the Secretary should modify such partnerships to improve financial education and counseling for servicemembers in order to assist them in achieving long-term financial stability.

(3) PERIOD OF MILITARY SERVICE AND SERVICEMEMBER DEFINED.—In this subsection, the terms “period of military service” and “servicemember” have the meanings given such terms in section 101 of such Act (50 U.S.C. App. 511).

Approved August 6, 2012.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 1627:

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 112-84, Pt. 1 (Comm. on Veterans' Affairs).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

Vol. 157 (2011): May 23, considered and passed House.

Vol. 158 (2012): July 18, considered and passed Senate, amended.  
July 31, House concurred in Senate amendments.

**This law extended the  
one-year provision  
through 12/31/2015**

Public Law 113-286  
113th Congress

**An Act**

To extend temporarily the extended period of protection for members of uniformed services relating to mortgages, mortgage foreclosure, and eviction, and for other purposes.

Dec. 18, 2014  
[S. 3008]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Foreclosure Relief and Extension for Servicemembers Act of 2014”.

Foreclosure  
Relief and  
Extension for  
Servicemembers  
Act of 2014.  
50 USC app. 501  
note.

**SEC. 2. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF EXTENDED PERIOD OF PROTECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF UNIFORMED SERVICES RELATING TO MORTGAGES, MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE, AND EVICTION.**

Section 710(d) of the Honoring America’s Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012 (Public Law 112-154; 126 Stat. 1208) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “December 31, 2014” and inserting “December 31, 2015”; and

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking “January 1, 2015” and inserting “January 1, 2016”.

50 USC app. 503  
note.

Approved December 18, 2014.

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 3008:**

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 160 (2014):

Dec. 11, considered and passed Senate.

Dec. 12, considered and passed House.

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# Text of the Servicemember Foreclosure Protections Extension Act of 2015

The committees assigned to this bill sent it to the House or Senate as a whole for consideration on February 12, 2015. The text of the bill below is as of **Dec 1, 2015** (Reported by House Committee).

**This proposed law (NOT yet passed!) would extend the one-year provision through 12/31/2016**

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Union Calendar No. 273

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114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

## H. R. 189

[Report No. 114-356]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 7, 2015

Mr. Grayson introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

December 1, 2015

Additional sponsors: Ms. Brown of Florida and Ms. Kuster

December 1, 2015

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

*Not Passed as of 2/25/16*

## A BILL

To extend foreclosure and eviction protections for servicemembers, and for other purposes.

### Section 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the "Servicemember Foreclosure Protections Extension Act of 2015".

### Sec. 2. Temporary extension of extended period of protections for members of uniformed services relating to mortgages, mortgage foreclosure, and eviction

Section 710(d) of the Honoring America's Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012 (Public Law 112-154; 126 Stat. 1208) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "December 31, 2015" and inserting "December 31, 2016"; and

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking "January 1, 2016" and inserting "January 1, 2017".

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December 1, 2015

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered  
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