Summary of H.R. 1484, as amended Veterans Appeals Improvement Act of 2011

Title: To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the appeals process of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Mr. Filner of California introduced H.R. 1484 on April 12, 2011.

H.R. 1484, as amended, would:

• Require new evidence submitted by a claimant in support of a claim, for which a substantive appeal has already been filed, to be submitted directly to the Board of Veterans Appeals and not the Agency of Original Jurisdiction (AOJ) unless a claimant requests initial AOJ consideration of the evidence.

Effective Date: Date of enactment.

Legislative History:

May 3, 2011: Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

May 5, 2011: Ordered reported by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

May 12, 2011: Ordered reported, as amended, by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs by voice vote.

May 20, 2011: Reported, H. Rept. 112-83.

May 31, 2011: House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill with a Manager's amendment by the Yeas and Nays: 419-1 (Roll No. 377).