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LEGISLATIVE

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There is so much information out there concerning Veterans and how we can help. While on VFW.org, I found a site **Grassroots** and I like their beginning statement which reads: “The VFW Action Corps is our National grassroots advocacy network comprised of more than 300,000 VFW members and patriotic supporters of veterans. This group stays up to date on the issues facing our veterans, our military and their families standing ready to email, write, call and visit our nation’s lawmakers to make their voices heard. The VFW Action Corps is free and open to all patriotic Americans who care about the military and veterans communities.”

While reading information on the vfw.org/advocacy/grassroots-efforts I wanted to relate a couple of bills that have been passed which will help many of our women Veterans.

Dr. Kate Hendricks Thomas SERVICE Act concerning mammography screenings to Veterans who served in certain areas during specific times.

Passing of the Deborah Sampson Act, which will remove barriers to health care impacting women Veterans.

Inclusion of bladder cancer, hypothyroidism and Parkinsonism to the list of Department of Veterans Affairs, presumptive conditions or herbicide exposure.

Implementation of VA’s maternity care coordination program to equip community care providers with training and support for the unique pregnancy and postpartum needs of women veterans.

There is much more information on this site and very worthwhile for you to check it out.

We are urging all our members to be an ADVOCATE for our VETERANS. You can be and advocate by

Responding to Action Alerts; which you receive through “VFW Action Corps”.

Recruit others to be involved in Action Corps.

Get to know your elected representatives. Let them know your concerns for our Veterans.

Attend Town Hall meetings and campaign stops.

2024 is an election year. We need to get to know those running for office and where they stand on Veterans Issues.