

# Proposed legislation would provide TSA Pre-Check for disabled veterans



DAV strongly supports bipartisan legislation that would provide severely disabled veterans free TSA PreCheck. The Veterans Expedited TSA Screening (VETS) Safe Travel Act would help make air travel easier and less stressful for those who were eligible.

Today, TSA PreCheck is available to active duty, reserve, and National Guard service members at no cost, and the VETS Safe Travel Act would expand the program to include certain veterans who are amputees, paralyzed or blind.

“Having to navigate through airport security can be an extraordinary challenge for veterans using prosthetics or mobility devices, as many of our members have attested to over the years,” said Deputy National Legislative Director Adrian Atizado. “America’s disabled veterans deserve to be treated with dignity and respect.”

Veterans with physical disabilities can potentially have a difficult experience getting through security lines at airports worldwide. According to Atizado, some veterans have been asked to remove prosthetics, transfer from wheelchairs or give up canes that help them safely navigate their surroundings.

“These devices are more than just equipment, they serve as extensions enabling our disabled veterans to live and function more independently,” said Atizado. “TSA PreCheck allows beneficiaries to avoid the significant challenges they face by modern airport security. Because of that, DAV enthusiastically supports this bill.”

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