AVVA/VVA Call-In Day on the Hill! November 4, 2015



Call (202) 224-3121, give the operator your state or zip code, and he/she will connect you with your elected officials' office. Ask to speak to the LA for Veterans Affairs, make it clear that you are calling as a constituent, asking for their support of H.R. 1769 and S.901, the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015.

The Vietnam War wounded our children and our grandchildren.

The passage of the *Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015* is one of the most important efforts that we can do collectively to insure that future military service generations learn from our experience. This Act will enable our offspring to receive the respect and consideration for the suffering that they have endured from birth defects and illnesses due to their father's or mother's service in Vietnam.

On behalf of the Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America Board of Directors, I am requesting that on **Wednesday**, **November 4th**, beginning at 9 am, that you call your Senators and ask for support of **S.901**; call your Representative in Congress and ask him/her to support **H.R. 1769**: The *Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015*. Let our politicians know that we are watching and that we care. Please make these one-minute phone calls.

Sharon Hobbs

Sharon Hobbs, National President

(See sample scripts below)



TELEPHONE CALL-IN / HOUSE BILL H.R. 1769

(Sample Script)

Hello, my name is (**identify yourself**) and I am a constituent in your congressional district. I am calling today to urge you to c o-sponsor and support H.R. 1769 the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015 introduced by Representatives Benishek and Honda. This legislation would establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs a national center for the research on the diagnosis and treatment of the health conditions of the descendants of veterans exposed to toxic substances during service in the Armed Forces.

Thank you for your attention to my request and please co-sponsor and support H.R. 1769 the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015.

(Leave your name, home address and phone number so the office can follow up with you at a later time)

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TELEPHONE CALL-IN / SENATE BILL S.901

(Sample Script)

Hello, my name is (identify yourself) and I am a constituent in your state.

I am calling today to urge you to co-sponsor and support S.901 the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015 introduced by Senators Moran and Blumenthal. This legislation would establish within the Department of Veterans Affairs a national center for the research on diagnosis and treatment of the health conditions of the descendants of veterans exposed to toxic substances during service in the Armed Forces.

Thank you for your attention to my request and please co-sponsor and support S.901 the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2015.

(Leave your name, home address and phone number so the office can follow up with you at a later time)

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