

HR 5675

21st Century Veterans Equitable Treatment Act

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Chamber: House

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Nov 25, 2002)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** CT • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 25, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 16, 2002)

21st Century Veterans Equitable Treatment Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to: (1) establish a maximum specialist referral period (the period between a veteran's referral to a specialty clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs by a Department primary care physician and the actual appointment with a specialist); and (2) provide appropriate transportation to such appointments for qualified veterans.

Requires the Secretary, in any case in which such period is exceeded or in which transportation was not so provided, to promptly provide for such care or transportation from a private source and to reimburse such source at an appropriate rate. Requires expedited reimbursement procedures.

Directs the Secretary to include within standards of performance used for measuring Department medical care administration a standard of assessing improvements in appointment waiting times.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 25, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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