

S 2433

Rural Veterans Care Act of 2006

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. (May 11, 2006)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	May 11, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 16, 2006)

Rural Veterans Care Act of 2006 - Establishes the Assistant Secretary for Rural Affairs in the Department of Veterans Affairs to: (1) formulate and implement all Department policies and procedures that affect veterans living in rural areas; (2) carry out demonstration projects to examine alternatives for expanding veterans' care in rural areas; (3) reevaluate, and revise as necessary, Department guidance and procedures related to the use of fee basis care nationwide; and (4) establish and operate at least one and up to five centers of excellence for rural health research, education, and clinical activities.

Directs the Secretary to conduct a pilot program for improving the access of veterans who reside in highly rural or geographically remote areas to certain health care services.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2006:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.
- **Mar 16, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 16, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2324-2326)