

## S 996

Veterans Road to Health Care Act of 2005

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

**Introduced:** May 11, 2005

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (May 11, 2005)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/996>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		May 11, 2005
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		May 11, 2005

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 11, 2005

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3147	Related bill	<b>Jul 25, 2005:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

### Summary (as of May 11, 2005)

Veterans Road to Health Care Act of 2005 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay the travel expenses of a veteran whose travel is in connection with treatment or care for a non-service-connected disability at a non-Department of Veterans Affairs facility if the treatment or care: (1) is provided upon the recommendation of Department medical personnel; and (2) is not available at the Department facility at which the recommendation is made.

Requires the Secretary, in calculating travel expenses under the Veterans Beneficiary Travel Program, to utilize the current Federal mileage reimbursement rates for the use on official business of privately owned vehicles.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 11, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 11, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4939)
- **May 11, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.