

S 1146

Rural Veterans Health Care Improvement Act of 2007

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 18, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2005	Identical bill	Jun 14, 2007: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

Summary (as of Apr 18, 2007)

Rural Veterans Health Care Improvement Act of 2007 - Authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to pay travel expenses for veterans receiving treatment at Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities at the rate provided to federal employees in connection with the performance of official duties.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) establish and operate at least one and up to five centers of excellence for rural health research, education, and clinical activities; (2) establish a grant program to provide innovative transportation options to veterans in remote rural areas; (3) carry out demonstration projects to examine alternatives for expanding care for veterans in rural areas; and (4) report annually to Congress on matters related to VA care for veterans residing in rural areas.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 18, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 18, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4692-4693)
- **Apr 18, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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