HR 2172

Amputee Veteran Assistance Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 14, 2007

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 3, 2007)

Amputee Veteran Assistance Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that all Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) orthotic-prosthetic laboratories and clinics are certified by either the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics or the Board of Orthotics and Prosthetic Certification.

Requires the Secretary to contract with a non-VA entity for the service and repair of prosthetic devices for a veteran if: (1) the Secretary determines that VA facilities are unable to perform such service or repair due to a lack of technology or any other reason; or (2) the veteran needing such service or repair resides more than 55 miles from the nearest VA facility capable of furnishing such service or repair.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) develop and carry out a plan to inform disabled veterans at least twice a year of technological advances in the field of prosthetics; (2) review all VA orthotic-prosthetic laboratories and clinics to ensure that the VA is capable of servicing and repairing the most technologically advanced prosthetic devices; and (3) review VA prosthetists and orthotists to determine the level and kinds of education required to ensure their qualification to provide the most technologically advanced prosthetic devices.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 14, 2007:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 7, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 3, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **May 3, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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