

HR 5856

Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Authorization and Lease Act of 2008

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Apr 22, 2008

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

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (May 22, 2008)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/5856>

Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported by	Apr 23, 2008
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 22, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 2797	Related bill	<b>Apr 2, 2008:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2357)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Authorization and Lease Act of 2008 - Authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out major medical facility projects (projects) in FY2009 in: (1) Palo Alto, California; (2) San Antonio, Texas; and (3) San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Amends the Veterans Benefits, Health Care, and Information Technology Act of 2006 to increase the amount authorized under such Act for: (1) all projects; and (2) specified projects in Florida, Nevada, and Pennsylvania in connection with the Capital Asset Realignment Initiative.

Authorizes the Secretary to carry out specified major medical facility leases (leases) in FY2009 in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Ohio, Oregon, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, and Wisconsin.

Authorizes the Secretary to carry out a project in Okaloosa County, Florida.

Authorizes appropriations for projects and leases authorized or increased under this Act.

Directs the Secretary to submit to the congressional veterans' committees: (1) a report updating progress made in complying with provisions requiring the establishment of, and responsibilities for, a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Director of Construction and Facilities Management; and (2) an annual report on VA community-based outpatient clinics and other outpatient clinics.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **May 22, 2008:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 21, 2008:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4415-4416)
- **May 21, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 416 - 0 (Roll no. 349).(text: CR 5/20/2008 H4199-4200)
- **May 21, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 416 - 0 (Roll no. 349). (text: CR 5/20/2008 H4199-4200)
- **May 21, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 20, 2008:** Mr. Filner moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **May 20, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4199-4202)
- **May 20, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5856.
- **May 20, 2008:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 15, 2008:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 110-648.
- **May 15, 2008:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 409.
- **Apr 30, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 30, 2008:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 23, 2008:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.