

HR 4166

Veterans Health Professionals Educational Assistance Act of 2009

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 2, 2009
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 4, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Veterans Health Professionals Educational Assistance Act of 2009 - Reinstates the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) health professionals educational assistance scholarship program and permits furnishing scholarships to new participants in the program through 2014. Requires the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, as additional requirements under such program, to: (1) modify the program in such a way that program graduates can be employed as soon as possible upon graduation and to actively assist and monitor graduates to ensure certifications are obtained in a minimal period following graduation; (2) require program participants to perform clinical tours; and (3) assign to each program participant a mentor who is employed at the same facility where the participant performs post-graduation obligated service.

Increases maximum payments under the VA education debt reduction program. Allows the Secretary to waive such limits.

Authorizes the Secretary to provide an educational loan repayment program for clinical researchers from disadvantaged backgrounds, in order to secure clinical research for the Veterans Health Administration.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) transfer specified funds to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) for including VA facilities on a list of facilities eligible for assignment of participants in the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program; and (2) identify all VA medical centers and community-based outpatient clinics that may be eligible for such assignments.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 4, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 2, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 1, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 1, 2009:** Referred to House Veterans' Affairs
- **Dec 1, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Dec 1, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce