

HR 5996

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of veterans with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 30, 2010)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to: (1) develop treatment protocols and related tools for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD); (2) improve biomedical and prosthetic research programs regarding COPD; (3) develop pilot programs to demonstrate best practices for the diagnosis and management of COPD; and (4) develop improved techniques and best practices for assisting individuals with COPD in successfully quitting smoking.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 29, 2010:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Sep 17, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 30, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 30, 2010:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.