

## HR 6004

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to give preference to local contractors, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jun 21, 2012

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. (Jul 6, 2012)

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### Sponsor

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 6, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jun 21, 2012)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to give a preference to a local (within a 60-mile radius) contractor in the award of a contract for: (1) the construction or maintenance of a VA facility, or (2) services provided to a particular VA facility or campus. Requires the Secretary, upon awarding such a contract to a non-local contractor, to publish a public explanation of why a local contractor was not awarded the contract.

Includes veterans who are local contractors within a required VA priority for awarding contracts to small businesses.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 6, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Jun 21, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 21, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.