

HR 6393

Veterans Health Access Act

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel. (Oct 5, 2012)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 5, 2012
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 21, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 13, 2012)

Veterans Health Access Act - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, when it is determined that Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities are not capable of furnishing economic hospital care or medical services because of geographical inaccessibility or the care or services required, to determine whether or not to furnish such care or services to a veteran in a non-VA facility. Requires such determination to be made within 30 days following the request for such care or services.

Amends the Wounded Warrior Act to authorize the Secretary of Defense (DOD) to allow any former member of the Armed Forces with a severe injury or illness to receive necessary medical and dental care in a non-VA facility when such care is determined by the member's physician to be in their best interest. Extends such authority through 2016.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 5, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- **Sep 21, 2012:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 13, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 13, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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.