

## HR 1134

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a grant program and pilot program designed to improve the delivery of health care to veterans residing in rural areas, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Mar 13, 2013

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 2, 2013)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Gallego, Pete P. [D-TX-23]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Mar 13, 2013)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish a grant program to provide innovative transportation options to veterans in highly rural areas in order to assist such veterans in traveling to VA medical centers for medical care.

Requires the Secretary to conduct outreach to educate veterans and their family members about the availability of such transportation.

Directs the Secretary to carry out a pilot program, at rural VA medical centers, for the implementation of electronic health record systems that allow for full interoperability of personal health care information between the Department of Defense (DOD) and the VA.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 2, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 13, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 13, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.