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Servicemember's Electronic Health Records Act of 2013

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 23, 2013
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Sep 17, 2013
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Sep 17, 2013
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 6, 2013

Committee Activity

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Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Oct 30, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 5048	Related bill	Jul 18, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
113 S 2182	Related bill	Mar 27, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
113 HR 4234	Related bill	Mar 24, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
113 HR 2590	Related bill	Aug 29, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Servicemember's Electronic Health Records Act of 2013 - Amends the Wounded Warrior Act to require the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs, in implementing electronic health record systems that provide for the full interoperability of personal health care information between the Department of Defense (DOD) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), to ensure that: (1) a health data authoritative source that can be accessed by multiple providers and that standardizes the input of new medical information is created by the Departments within 180 days, (2) the ability of patients of both Departments to download their medical records is achieved within 180 days, (3) full interoperability of personal health care information between the Departments is achieved within one year, (4) acceleration of the exchange of real-time data between the Departments is achieved within one year, (5) the upgrade of the graphical user interface to display a joint common graphical user interface is achieved within one year, and (6) current members of the Armed Forces and their dependents may elect to receive an electronic copy of their health care records beginning not later than June 30, 2015.

Requires the Secretaries to assess the feasibility and advisability of establishing a secure, remote, network-accessible computer storage system (commonly referred to as cloud storage) to: (1) provide members of the Armed Forces and veterans the ability to upload their health care records, and (2) allow DOD and VA medical providers of the Departments to access such records.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 30, 2013:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 113-280.
- **Jul 15, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 15, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5688)
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