

HR 3521

Department of Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Lease Authorization Act of 2013

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Dec 20, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]

Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Boustany, Charles W., Jr. [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Brown, Corrine [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. O'Rourke, Beto [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Runyan, Jon [R-NJ-3]	R · NJ		Nov 20, 2013
Rep. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Dec 9, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Reported By	Dec 9, 2013
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 20, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2450	Related bill	Jun 11, 2014: See also H.R. 3230.
113 S 2422	Related bill	Jun 4, 2014: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 408.
113 S 2413	Related bill	Jun 2, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
113 S 1982	Related bill	Feb 27, 2014: Motion by Senator Reid to commit to Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs with instructions to report back forthwith with amendment (SA 2767) fell when the bill was committed in Senate. (consideration: CR S1209-1210)
113 S 1950	Related bill	Feb 4, 2014: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure withdrawn in Senate. (consideration: CR S736)
113 S 1740	Identical bill	Nov 20, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
113 HR 2913	Related bill	Aug 13, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Dec 10, 2013)

Department of Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Lease Authorization Act of 2013 - Authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to carry out specified major medical facility leases (leases) in New Mexico, New Jersey, South Carolina, Georgia, Hawaii, Kansas, Louisiana, Florida, Puerto Rico, Texas, California, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Missouri, Tennessee, Illinois, Nebraska, Arizona, and Oklahoma.

Directs the Secretary, in exercising the authority to enter into such leases, to record as the full cost of the contractual obligation at the time a contract is executed either: (1) the amount of total payments under the full lease term; or (2) if the lease specifies payments to be made in the event the lease is terminated before its full term, an amount sufficient to cover the first-year payments plus the specified cancellation costs.

Requires the funding prospectus of a proposed lease to include a detailed analysis of how the lease is expected to comply with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-11 (which provides guidance to federal agencies in meeting statutory requirements for disclosure of the full costs of contracts or leases) and the Anti-Deficiency Act, including an analysis of: (1) the classification of the lease as a lease-purchase, capital lease, or operating lease; (2) the obligation of budgetary resources associated with the lease; and (3) the methodology used in determining the asset cost, fair market value, and cancellation costs of the lease.

Directs the Secretary, at least 30 days before entering into a lease, to submit to the congressional veterans committees: (1) notice of the intention to enter into, and a copy of, such lease; (2) a description and analysis of any differences between the lease prospectus submitted and the proposed lease; and (3) a scoring analysis demonstrating that the proposed lease fully complies with OMB Circular A-11. Requires the Secretary, no more than 30 days after entering into a lease, to report any material differences between the proposed lease and the lease entered.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 20, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Dec 11, 2013:** Received in the Senate.
- **Dec 10, 2013:** Mr. Miller (FL) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended. (consideration: CR H7612)
- **Dec 10, 2013:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7612-7614)
- **Dec 10, 2013:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3521.
- **Dec 10, 2013:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Dec 10, 2013:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7617-7618)
- **Dec 10, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 346 - 1 (Roll no. 630).(text: CR H7612-7613)
- **Dec 10, 2013:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 346 - 1 (Roll no. 630). (text: CR H7612-7613)
- **Dec 9, 2013:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 113-284.
- **Dec 9, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 204.
- **Nov 20, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 20, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Nov 18, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 18, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.