

HR 5224

RDOCS-VA Act of 2014

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 15, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Restoring the Doctors of Our Country through Scholarships Veterans Affairs Act of 2014 or the RDOCS-VA Act of 2014 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, as part of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Health Professionals Educational Assistance Program, to carry out a scholarship program to provide for the increased availability of physicians who provide primary health care services at VA medical facilities, which shall be known as the Restoring the Doctors of Our Country through Scholarships-Veterans Affairs (RDOCS-VA) program.

Directs the Secretary, under such program, to award not less than 400 scholarships covering all tuition and costs for an undergraduate medical education for a period of study not exceeding 48 consecutive months, and a cost-of-living stipend, to selected individuals who agree to:

- be admitted into and maintain enrollment in a participating undergraduate medical program in the scholar's state of residence,
- maintain a minimum level of academic standing,
- complete an accredited residency training program in a primary care specialty,
- become licensed to practice medicine in the scholar's state of residence,
- receive and maintain board certification in a primary care specialty, and
- complete a five-year post-graduate period of employment by the VA performing primary care services.

Directs the Secretary to give preference to applicants who: (1) are enrolled in an accelerated track family-medicine program, or (2) elect to complete the five-year period of employment at a VA facility that the Secretary designates as having an urgent need for primary care physicians.

Sets forth provisions regarding such scholar's liability for breach of agreement.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 15, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1251)
- **Jul 28, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.