

## HR 1948

Veterans' Access to Child Care Act

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 11, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 6062	Related bill	Oct 19, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
114 HR 3365	Related bill	Nov 23, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
114 S 469	Related bill	Jun 24, 2015: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 114-186.
114 HR 1496	Related bill	Apr 7, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Apr 22, 2015)

### Veterans' Access to Child Care Act

Directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide child care assistance to an eligible veteran for any period that the veteran: (1) receives covered health care services at a VA facility, and (2) is required to travel to and return from such facility for the receipt of such services.

Defines: (1) "covered health care services" to mean regular mental health care services, intensive mental health care services, or such other intensive health care services to which the VA determines that provision of child care assistance would improve the veteran's access; and (2) "eligible veteran" as a veteran who is the primary caretaker of a child and who is receiving covered health care services from the VA or who is in need of, and who would receive, such services from the VA but for lack of child care.

Includes among child care assistance to be provided under this Act:

- a stipend for the payment of the full cost of child care offered by a licensed child care center, which shall be modeled after the VA's Child Care Subsidy Program;
- direct provision of child care at an on-site VA facility;
- a payment made directly to a private child care agency; and
- collaboration with a facility or program of another federal department or agency.

### Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 22, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 22, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.