

## HR 5399

### Ethical Patient Care for Veterans Act of 2016

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jun 7, 2016

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate.

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate. (Dec 7, 2016)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5399>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]

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

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 13, 2016

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the House reported version is repeated here.)

### **Ethical Patient Care for Veterans Act of 2016**

(Sec. 2) This bill directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ensure that each VA physician is informed of the duty to report any covered activity committed by another physician that the physician witnesses or otherwise directly discovers to the applicable state licensing authority within five days.

Disciplinary Appeals Boards shall have exclusive jurisdiction to review any case of professional conduct or competence arising from a VA physician's failure to properly report such activity.

"Covered activity" means any activity occurring in a VA medical facility that consists of or causes the provision of impaired, incompetent, or unethical health care that requires direct reporting under the Code of Medical Ethics of the American Medical Association.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 7, 2016:** Received in the Senate.
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Mr. Roe (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7241-7242)
- **Dec 6, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5399.
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7241)
- **Dec 6, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7241)
- **Dec 6, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 14, 2016:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 114-815.
- **Nov 14, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 639.
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 21, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 13, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 7, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 7, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.