

HR 577

To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to use existing authorities to furnish health care at non-Department of Veterans Affairs facilities to veterans who live more than 40 miles driving distance from the closest medical facility of the Department that furnishes the care sought by the veteran.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 1909	Identical bill	May 1, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
114 HR 572	Related bill	Feb 6, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
114 S 207	Related bill	Jan 21, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Summary (as of Jan 27, 2015)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to use the Secretary's existing authority to furnish health care to veterans at non-VA facilities to provide health care at non-VA facilities to veterans who reside more than 40 miles driving distance from the closest VA medical facility providing the care they seek.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 6, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.