

HR 6517

INFORM Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 8, 2016
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 8, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 5726	Related bill	Aug 11, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Increasing New recruit Focus On Receiving Mental healthcare Act or the INFORM Act

This bill urges the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ensure that preventing veteran suicide and providing veterans access to mental health care is its top reform priority.

The VA shall, every 30 days, determine and provide to the Department of Defense, with respect to the previous year:

- the average national wait times (in days) for veterans enrolled in the VA health care system to receive appointments for mental health care and primary health care at VA medical facilities,
- the average time for the VA to process a claim for disability compensation, and
- the average time for the VA to decide an appeal of such a claim.

The VA shall place a sign displaying the most current such times in a conspicuous location at each military entrance processing station.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 8, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 8, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Dec 8, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.