

## S 1477

### Serve Veterans First Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Jun 29, 2017

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (Jun 29, 2017)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 29, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Jun 29, 2017)

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This bill requires the Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), at the end of each calendar year, to determine whether any veteran attempted but was unable to schedule an appointment to receive hospital care or a medical service within the wait-time goals of the Veterans Health Administration.

The bill prohibits any VA employee from using official time for any purpose related to a labor organization: (1) before the Inspector General has made such determination; or (2) if the Inspector General's most recent determination found that such an incident occurred.

The Inspector General must investigate each report received of such an incident and may determine whether it occurred.

## **Actions Timeline**

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