

HR 2478

Expanding Veterans' Access to Choice Act

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Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Jul 11, 2017
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 17, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 17, 2017)

Expanding Veterans' Access to Choice Act

This bill amends the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 to provide that a veteran who lives within 40 miles (calculated on distance traveled) of a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical facility, including a community-based outpatient clinic, remains eligible to receive Veterans Choice program services through an approved private health care center if: (1) the VA cannot assign a full-time primary care physician to the veteran at any VA facility within such distance, or (2) no VA facility within such distance provides the needed hospital care or medical treatment.

Actions Timeline

- **May 17, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 17, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.