

## HR 2555

### Veterans' Health Care Integrity Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** May 19, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 19, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/2555>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Love, Mia B. [R-UT-4]

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

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		May 19, 2017

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	May 19, 2017
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 19, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 467	Related bill	May 25, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
115 S 1163	Identical bill	May 17, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3016)

## **Veterans' Health Care Integrity Act of 2017**

This bill directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ensure that the director of each VA medical facility annually certifies that: (1) the facility is in full compliance with all provisions of law and regulations relating to scheduling appointments for veterans hospital care and medical services, and (2) any official data on appointment wait times is accurate.

The VA may not waive any applicable provision of such laws or regulations.

If unable to make such certification, a director shall provide the VA with an explanation of any noncompliance and a description of compliance actions being taken. If a director does not make a certification for any year, each covered official may not receive specified awards or bonuses during the subsequent year. "Covered officials" are a facility's director, chief of staff, associate director, associate director for patient care, and deputy chief of staff.

The VA shall ensure that its directives and policies apply to, and are implemented by, each VA office or facility in a uniform manner.

The following VA positions shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate: (1) Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Operations and Management, (2) Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Policy and Services, (3) Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, (4) Deputy Under Secretary for Disability Assistance, and (5) Deputy Under Secretary for Field Operations.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 19, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 19, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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.
- **May 19, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.