

## S 324

### State Veterans Home Adult Day Health Care Improvement Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

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

**Introduced:** Feb 7, 2017

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**Law:** 115-159 (Enacted Mar 27, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/324>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]

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

## Cosponsors (36 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 7, 2017
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 8, 2017
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Feb 9, 2017
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Feb 13, 2017
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Feb 14, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Feb 16, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 27, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 27, 2017
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 27, 2017
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 15, 2017
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 15, 2017
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Mar 21, 2017
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 21, 2017
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 27, 2017
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Mar 29, 2017
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Apr 3, 2017
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 4, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Apr 6, 2017
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 28, 2017
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		May 1, 2017
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		May 9, 2017
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		May 17, 2017
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Jun 14, 2017
Sen. Donnelly, Joe [D-IN]	D · IN		Sep 13, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Sep 25, 2017
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 30, 2017
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Oct 31, 2017

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Nov 9, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1005	Related bill	May 24, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

### Summary (as of Mar 27, 2018)

#### State Veterans Home Adult Day Health Care Improvement Act of 2017

(Sec. 2) This bill directs the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to enter into an agreement with each state home to pay for medical supervision model adult day health care for a veteran for whom the home is not receiving VA nursing home care payments. Such payment shall constitute payment in full for such care.

The veteran must need such care either specifically for a service-connected disability, or, if not specifically for one, the veteran must have a service-connected disability rated 70% or more.

The payment rate under each VA-state home agreement for a veteran shall be established through regulations prescribed by the VA to adequately reimburse the home for the care, including necessary transportation expenses. Such rate shall not take effect until 30 days after the date on which the regulations are published in the Federal Register. Until such time, the initial rate shall equal 65% of the payment that the VA would otherwise pay to the state home if the veteran were receiving nursing home care.

"Medical supervision model adult day health care" means adult day health care that includes the coordination of physician services, dental services, nursing services, the administration of drugs, and such other requirements as the VA may determine.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 27, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Mar 27, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-159.
- **Mar 19, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Mar 13, 2018:** Mr. Roe (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 13, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1513-1515)
- **Mar 13, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 324.
- **Mar 13, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H1513)
- **Mar 13, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H1513)
- **Mar 13, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 13, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 13, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 13, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **Nov 9, 2017:** Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Nov 9, 2017:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7163-7164)
- **Nov 9, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7164)
- **Nov 9, 2017:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text of amendment in the nature of a substitute: CR S7164)
- **May 17, 2017:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-299.
- **Feb 7, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 7, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.