

HR 3754

VHA REHIRE Act of 2017

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Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Nov 28, 2017
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 13, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

VHA REcruitment, Hiring, and REtention Act of 2017 or VHA REHIRE Act of 2017

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to carry out a VA Student Loan Repayment Program to assist the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) meet staffing needs for health professional occupations for which recruitment or retention of qualified personnel is difficult.

A program participant must agree to serve as a full-time VHA employee for one year for every \$10,000 of received benefits, with a minimum three-year commitment.

Program assistance may be in addition to assistance available under the VA Educational Assistance Program.

A participant in the VA Education Debt Reduction Program must agree to serve as a full-time VHA employee for at least three years.

A physician, dentist, podiatrist, chiropractor, optometrist, registered nurse, physician assistant, or dental auxiliary must agree to serve at least two years as a full-time VA employee in order to receive certain bonuses or allowances.

The VA shall offer employment to a qualified VHA applicant within 75 days after the last day applications are accepted for a position.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 13, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 13, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Sep 13, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.