

## HR 388

### Veterans Health Equity Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

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

**Introduced:** Jan 10, 2017

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 3, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/388>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NH • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Feb 28, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 10, 2017)

#### Veterans Health Equity Act of 2017

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure that veterans eligible for hospital care and medical services through the VA have access to: (1) at least one full-service VA hospital in each of the 48 contiguous states, or (2) hospital care and medical services comparable to that provided in full-service VA hospitals through contract with other health providers in such states.

Directs the VA to report on compliance with such requirement, including its effect on improving the quality and standards of veterans' care.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 3, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.