

## HR 4113

Veterans Access to Long Term Care and Health Services Act

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**Chamber:** House

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

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House   | Referred to | Oct 24, 2017 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action   |
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| 115 S 1611 | Identical bill | <b>Jul 20, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. |

## **Veterans Access to Long Term Care and Health Services Act**

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), if unable to furnish hospital care, medical services, or extended care at VA facilities or under other authorized contracts or sharing agreements, to enter into a Veterans Care Agreement (VCA) with an eligible provider to furnish such care and services.

The VA shall review VCAs exceeding \$1 million annually at least once every two years.

The VA shall establish a process for the certification of eligible providers.

An eligible provider is:

- a physician or provider of services that has entered into a provider agreement under the Social Security Act;
- a provider of items and services receiving payments under a state Medicaid plan;
- an aging and disability resource center, an area agency on aging, or a center for independent living; or
- any other health care provider the VA considers appropriate.

The VA shall establish a system or systems to monitor the quality of care and services furnished to veterans, which shall be used in assessing whether to renew a VCA.

A VCA may be made with a health care provider to provide veterans with nursing home care.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 24, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 24, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Oct 24, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.