

HR 5418

Veterans Affairs Medical-Surgical Purchasing Stabilization Act

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Chamber: House

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Mar 29, 2018
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Mar 29, 2018
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Mar 29, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		May 15, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	May 8, 2018
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Aug 1, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3737	Identical bill	Dec 11, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), in procuring medical, surgical, dental, or laboratory items for VA medical facilities through the Medical Surgical Prime Vendor (MSPV) program, to: (1) award contracts to multiple regional prime vendors instead of a single nationwide prime vendor, and (2) prohibit a prime vendor from solely designing the formulary of items available for MSPV purchase.

The VA shall: (1) ensure that each VA employee who conducts formulary analyses or makes decisions about including items on the formulary has relevant medical expertise, and (2) provide Congress with periodic lists of such individuals and their medical expertise listed by categories of formulary items.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2018:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 115-616.
- **May 22, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **May 21, 2018:** Reported by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H. Rept. 115-693.
- **May 21, 2018:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 536.
- **May 21, 2018:** Mr. Roe (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 21, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4257-4258)
- **May 21, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5418.
- **May 21, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H4257)
- **May 21, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H4257)
- **May 21, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 8, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 8, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **May 8, 2018:** Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Discharged.
- **Mar 29, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 29, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
- **Mar 29, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.