

HR 1182

Acupuncture for Our Heroes Act

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Sponsor

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Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Apr 2, 2019
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [D-NJ-2]	D · NJ		Apr 25, 2019
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Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		May 24, 2019
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jun 3, 2019
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Nov 26, 2019
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 9, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 13, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2914	Related bill	Nov 20, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide qualified acupuncturist services to veterans enrolled in the VA health care system. A qualified acupuncturist is an individual who is licensed, certified, or otherwise accredited and may be appointed as an employee of the VA or as a contractor.

The VA shall carry out such program in at least one VA facility in each Veterans Integrated Service Network (regional VA health care administrative areas) in both urban and rural areas.

The bill requires the VA to establish the Advisory Committee on Acupuncturist Services, which must advise the VA on governing protocols and review and evaluate the ability of a veteran to access an acupuncturist at VA facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2019:** Introduced in House
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