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Department of Energy Veterans' Health Initiative Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]

Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Jan 16, 2019
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jan 16, 2019
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 16, 2019
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jan 16, 2019
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Jan 16, 2019
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		May 1, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jul 9, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 617	Identical bill	Dec 17, 2019: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 344.

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This bill directs the Department of Energy (DOE) to establish a research program in artificial intelligence and high-performance computing that is focused on the development of tools to (1) solve big data challenges associated with veterans' health care, and (2) support the Department of Veterans Affairs in identifying potential health risks and challenges.

DOE shall carry out a pilot program to develop tools for big data analytics in order to advance artificial intelligence technologies to solve complex big data challenges.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 16, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski under authority of the order of the Senate of 08/01/2019 without amendment. With written report No. 116-70.
- **Aug 16, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 172.
- **Jul 16, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 9, 2019:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 116-327.
- **Jan 16, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 16, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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