

HR 2628

VET CARE Act of 2019

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]

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

Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [D-NJ-2]	D · NJ		May 9, 2019
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		May 9, 2019
Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Sep 6, 2019
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Sep 12, 2019
Rep. Cunningham, Joe [D-SC-1]	D · SC		Sep 16, 2019
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Sep 18, 2019
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Sep 20, 2019
Rep. Spano, Ross [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Oct 23, 2019
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Dec 16, 2019
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Apr 17, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 12, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Veterans Early Treatment for Chronic Ailment Resurgence through Examinations Act of 2019 or the VET CARE Act of 2019

This bill addresses dental care programs for veterans. Specifically, the bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to furnish administrative support to a dental care provider that provides services to a veteran that would not be covered by VA benefits.

The bill also requires the VA to implement a pilot program to provide free outpatient dental services and treatment, and related dental appliances, to eligible veterans. Eligible veterans are those who are (1) enrolled in the VA health care system but are not eligible for VA dental care, (2) not receiving regular periodontal care, (3) between 40 and 70 years old, and (4) diagnosed with type 2 diabetes.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 12, 2020:** Subcommittee on Health Discharged.
- **Mar 12, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 12, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 11, 2019:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 29, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 9, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 9, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.