

HR 6979

Veterans Access to Care Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: May 22, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (May 22, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gallagher, Mike [R-WI-8]	R · WI		May 22, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 22, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 95	Identical bill	Jan 10, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of May 22, 2020)

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This bill automatically designates medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as health professional shortage areas for purposes of the National Health Service Corps Program.

Individuals may not participate in both the VA's Health Professionals Education Assistance Program and the National Health Service Corps scholarship or loan repayment programs.

The Department of Health and Human Services, in carrying out the National Health Service Corps Program, must consult with the VA regarding health professional shortage areas that are VA medical facilities.

Actions Timeline

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