

HR 6208

VET CARE Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jan 6, 2022)

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Levin, Mike [D-CA-49]	D · CA		Dec 9, 2021
Rep. Waltz, Michael [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Dec 9, 2021
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		Dec 9, 2021
Resident Commissioner González-Colón, Jenniffer [R-PR-At Large]	R · PR		Dec 9, 2021
Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Jan 20, 2022
Rep. Ferguson, A. Drew, IV [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Mar 15, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 6, 2022

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 2021 or the VET CARE Act of 2021

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

- **Jan 6, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 9, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 9, 2021:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.