

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, HR. 4590, with An Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

114TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4590

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out certain major medical facility projects for which appropriations are being made for fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 23, 2016

Mr. MILLER of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out certain major medical facility projects for which appropriations are being made for fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Fiscal Year 2016 De-
5 partment of Veterans Affairs Seismic Safety and Con-
6 struction Authorization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN MAJOR MEDICAL FA-**
2 **CILITY PROJECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
3 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

4 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary of Veterans Af-
5 fairs may carry out the following major medical facility
6 projects, with each project to be carried out in an amount
7 not to exceed the amount specified for that project:

8 (1) Seismic corrections to buildings, including
9 retrofitting and replacement of high-risk buildings,
10 in San Francisco, California, in an amount not to
11 exceed \$175,880,000.

12 (2) Seismic corrections to facilities, including
13 facilities to support homeless veterans, at the med-
14 ical center in West Los Angeles, California, in an
15 amount not to exceed \$100,250,000.

16 (3) Seismic corrections to the mental health
17 and community living center in Long Beach, Cali-
18 fornia, in an amount not to exceed \$282,100,000.

19 (4) Construction of an outpatient clinic, admin-
20 istrative space, cemetery, and columbarium in Ala-
21 meda, California, in an amount not to exceed
22 \$83,782,000.

23 (5) Realignment of medical facilities in Liver-
24 more, California, in an amount not to exceed
25 \$188,650,000.

1 (6) Construction of a replacement community
2 living center in Perry Point, Maryland, in an
3 amount not to exceed \$92,700,000.

4 (7) Seismic corrections and other renovations to
5 several buildings and construction of a specialty care
6 building in American Lake, Washington, in an
7 amount not to exceed \$13,830,000.

8 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR CON-
9 STRUCTION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to
10 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 or
11 the year in which funds are appropriated for the Construc-
12 tion, Major Projects, account, \$937,192,000 for the
13 projects authorized in subsection (a).

14 (c) LIMITATION.—The projects authorized in sub-
15 section (a) may only be carried out using—

16 (1) funds appropriated for fiscal year 2016 pur-
17 suant to the authorization of appropriations in sub-
18 section (b);

19 (2) funds available for Construction, Major
20 Projects, for a fiscal year before fiscal year 2016
21 that remain available for obligation;

22 (3) funds available for Construction, Major
23 Projects, for a fiscal year after fiscal year 2016 that
24 remain available for obligation;

1 (4) funds appropriated for Construction, Major
2 Projects, for fiscal year 2016 for a category of activ-
3 ity not specific to a project;

4 (5) funds appropriated for Construction, Major
5 Projects, for a fiscal year before fiscal year 2016 for
6 a category of activity not specific to a project; and

7 (6) funds appropriated for Construction, Major
8 Projects, for a fiscal year after fiscal year 2016 for
9 a category of activity not specific to a project.

10 **SEC. 3. SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION.**

11 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
12 ment of this Act, for each project authorized in section
13 2(a), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the
14 Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Rep-
15 resentatives and the Senate the following information:

16 (1) A line item accounting of expenditures re-
17 lating to construction management carried out by
18 the Department of Veterans Affairs for such project.

19 (2) The future amounts that are budgeted to be
20 obligated for construction management carried out
21 by the Department for such project.

22 (3) A justification for the expenditures de-
23 scribed in paragraph (1) and the future amounts de-
24 scribed in paragraph (2).

1 (4) Any agreement entered into by the Sec-
2 retary regarding the Army Corps of Engineers pro-
3 viding services relating to such project, including re-
4 imbursement agreements and the costs to the De-
5 partment of Veterans Affairs for such services.