

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 3494

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

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3494

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out an information technology system and prioritize certain requirements to manage supply chains for medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2025

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia (for herself and Mr. PANETTA) 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 an information technology system and prioritize certain requirements to manage supply chains for medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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 “VA Hospital Inventory
5 Management System Authorization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MANAGEMENT OF SUPPLY CHAINS FOR MEDICAL**
2 **FACILITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS**
3 **AFFAIRS.**

4 (a) **AUTHORIZATION.**—The Secretary of Veterans Af-
5 fairs is authorized to—

- 6 (1) purchase or develop for the Veterans Health
7 Administration a cloud-based information technology
8 system for the management of inventory, including
9 expendable and nonexpendable items; and
10 (2) implement such system.

11 (b) **PILOT.**—If the Secretary purchases or develops
12 a system under subsection (a), the Secretary shall carry
13 out a pilot program at one Veterans Health Administra-
14 tion facility before implementing the system throughout
15 the Veterans Health Administration. The pilot program
16 shall be designed to determine whether the functions of
17 the system are satisfactory.

18 (c) **DEADLINE.**—If the Secretary purchases or devel-
19 ops a system under subsection (a), the Secretary shall
20 complete the implementation of the system by not later
21 than three years after the date of the enactment of this
22 Act.

23 (d) **LIMITATION.**—The Secretary may not exercise
24 the authority under subsection (a) or subsection (b) until
25 the date on which the Secretary submits to the Commit-

tees on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives
and the Senate a report that includes—

(1) a comprehensive supply chain strategy to
guide enterprise-wide implementation, as rec-
ommended in the report of the Comptroller General
of the United States titled “VA Acquisition Manage-
ment: Comprehensive Supply Chain Management
Strategy Key to Address Existing Challenges”
(GAO–21–445T; published March 24, 2021), which
includes success metrics, a plan for data standard-
ization, and staffing models;

(2) a cost estimate and implementation sched-
ule for the supply chain modernization program of
the Department;

(3) a comprehensive staffing assessment of the
supply chain and information technology moderniza-
tion workforces of the Department that includes—

(A) monthly staffing gains and losses since
October 1, 2022;

(B) the current staffing level of each such
workforce as of the date of the enactment of
this Act; and

(C) an estimate of future staffing require-
ments for the implementation of the supply

1 chain modernization program, disaggregated by
2 each such workforce; and

3 (4) an independent assessment of the review
4 carried out by the Secretary with respect to failures
5 of the supply chain modernization program of the
6 Department.

7 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF**
8 **PENSION.**

9 Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code,
10 is amended by striking “November 30, 2031” and insert-
11 ing “December 31, 2032”.