

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To direct the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health to make publicly available all national policies of the Veterans Health Administration.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M____. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

A BILL

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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 “Veterans Health Ad-
5 ministration Online Publication and Easy Navigation of
6 Policies Act of 2026” or the “VHA OPEN Policies Act
7 of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF ALL VETERANS HEALTH**
2 **ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL POLICIES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Under Secretary
5 of Veterans Affairs for Health shall make publicly avail-
6 able on an appropriate website of the Veterans Health Ad-
7 ministration all national policies of the Administration, in-
8 cluding each of the following:

9 (1) Directives.

10 (2) Handbooks.

11 (3) Memoranda issued by the Under Secretary.

12 (4) Guidance and procedure guides necessary
13 for understanding the implementation of the na-
14 tional policies of the Administration and any pro-
15 grams governed by such policies.

16 (b) UPDATES.—In the case of any national policy
17 that is established or revised after the date of the enact-
18 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall include the new or
19 revised national policy on the website required under sub-
20 section (a) by not later than 30 days after the date of
21 the establishment or revision of the policy.