

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 2359, with An Amendment

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

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2359

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a report on the Department of Veterans Affairs advancing of whole health transformation.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 25, 2019

Mr. LAMB (for himself and Mr. RYAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Whole Veteran Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
2 **ADVANCING OF WHOLE HEALTH TRANS-**
3 **FORMATION.**

4 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans
6 Affairs shall submit to Congress a report on the implemen-
7 tation of the Department of Veterans Affairs memo-
8 randum dated February 12, 2019, on the subject of Ad-
9 vancing Whole Health Transformation Across Veterans
10 Health Administration.

11 (b) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report under sub-
12 section (a) shall include the following:

13 (1) An analysis of the accessibility and avail-
14 ability of each of the following services at medical
15 facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs (in-
16 cluding community based outpatient clinics, vet cen-
17 ters, and community living centers):

18 (A) Massage.

19 (B) Chiropractic services.

20 (C) Whole health clinician services.

21 (D) Whole health coaching.

22 (E) Acupuncture.

23 (F) Healing touch.

24 (G) Whole health group services.

25 (H) Guided imagery.

26 (I) Meditation.

1 (J) Hypnosis.

2 (K) Yoga.

3 (L) Tai chi or Qi gong.

4 (M) Equine assisted therapy.

5 (N) Any other service the Secretary deter-
6 mines appropriate.

7 (2) An assessment of the health outcomes de-
8 rived from the services specified in paragraph (1).

9 (3) An assessment of the resources required to
10 expand such services to the entire Veterans Health
11 Administration.

12 (4) A plan to provide the services referred to in
13 paragraph (1) to veterans who reside in a geo-
14 graphic area where no community-based outpatient
15 clinic, medical center, Vet Center, or community liv-
16 ing center is located.