

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5674**

**OFFERED BY MR. WALZ**

Page 14, line 15, strike “REVIEW OF DECISIONS” and insert “APPEAL BY VETERANS OF DECISIONS OF SECRETARY”,

Page 14, insert after line 18 the following new subsection (and redesignate the subsequent subsections accordingly):

1       “(g) REVIEW OF DETERMINATIONS BY SEC-  
2 RETARY.—The Secretary shall review a determination of  
3 the Secretary to furnish hospital care, medical services,  
4 or extended care services to a covered veteran under this  
5 section not later than the day that is—

6               “(1) one year after the date of such determina-  
7 tion, in the case of a determination under subsection  
8 (d); or

9               “(2) six months after the date of such deter-  
10 mination, in the case of a determination under sub-  
11 section (e).”.

Page 50, beginning line 14, strike subsection (f) and insert the following new subsection:

1           “(f) FREQUENCY; COPAYMENTS.—(1) An eligible vet-  
2 eran may only access walk-in care under this section for  
3 up to two episodes of hospital care or medical services per  
4 year.

5           “(2)(A) The Secretary may require an eligible vet-  
6 eran to pay the United States a copayment for each epi-  
7 sode of hospital care or medical services provided under  
8 this section if the eligible veteran would be required to  
9 pay a copayment under this title.

10          “(B) An eligible veteran not required to pay a copay-  
11 ment under this title may access walk-in care without a  
12 copayment.

13          “(3) The amount of the copayments required under  
14 this paragraph shall be prescribed by the Secretary by  
15 rule.

16          “(4) Section 8153(c) of this title shall not apply to  
17 this subsection.”.

