

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4362

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Mr. O'HALLERAN (for himself, Mr. GALLEGO, and Ms. SINEMA) 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 “Fairness for Rural
5 Veterans Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS PRIORITY**
2 **FOR STATE HOME FACILITY GRANTS.**

3 Section 8135(c)(2) of title 38, United States Code,
4 is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (D)
6 through (H) as subparagraphs (E) through (I), re-
7 spectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the fol-
9 lowing new subparagraph (D):

10 “(D) An application for construction or acquisi-
11 tion of a nursing home or domiciliary from a State
12 that the Secretary determines, in accordance with
13 regulations under this subchapter, has a great or
14 significant need for beds and which is located at
15 least 100 miles away from the nearest existing State
16 home facility.”.

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