

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3494

AN ACT

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “VA Hospital Inventory
3 Management System Authorization Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. MANAGEMENT OF SUPPLY CHAINS FOR MEDICAL**
5 **FACILITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS**
6 **AFFAIRS.**

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

9 (1) purchase or develop for the Veterans Health
10 Administration a cloud-based information technology
11 system for the management of inventory, including
12 expendable and nonexpendable items; and

13 (2) implement such system.

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

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

1 (d) LIMITATION.—The Secretary may not exercise
2 the authority under subsection (a) or subsection (b) until
3 the date on which the Secretary submits to the Commit-
4 tees on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Representatives
5 and the Senate a report that includes—

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

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

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

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

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

1 (C) an estimate of future staffing require-
2 ments for the implementation of the supply
3 chain modernization program, disaggregated by
4 each such workforce; and

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

9 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF**
10 **PENSION.**

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

Passed the House of Representatives September 15,
2025.

Attest:

Clerk.

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