

H.R. 4613, VA Reporting Transparency Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on October 16, 2019

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2024	2020-2029
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	*	*
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2030?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 4613 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish a searchable website that allows the public to obtain electronic copies of all reports requested by the Congress and prepared by the department. The department would be required to post reports that were completed in the last eight years and to post new reports on an ongoing basis. It also would require VA to submit to the Congress a list of recurring reports VA recommends be discontinued.

Because most of VA's reports are already available on the department's website, CBO estimates that collocating them on one page would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2020-2024 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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