

## **Improving the VA**

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In response to negligent issues at the Department of Veterans Affairs -- including falsifying records to make it seem like wait times were shorter Congress passed bipartisan sweeping reforms to improve the VA. It allows veterans that have waited over 30 days for an appointment to seek immediate care through private providers. It also requires an independent assessment of VA medical care to make sure they are meeting the standards our veterans were promised and deserve. Lastly, the Secretary of the VA is now able to fire or demote senior level employees for poor performance.