

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5674, AS REPORTED**  
**OFFERED BY MR. ROE OF TENNESSEE**

Page 3, strike lines 4 through 7 and insert the following:

1       (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
2 “John S. McCain III, Daniel K. Akaka, and Samuel R.  
3 Johnson VA Maintaining Internal Systems and Strength-  
4 ening Integrated Outside Networks Act of 2018” or the  
5 “VA MISSION Act of 2018”.

Page 41, line 13, strike “related” and insert “relating”.

Page 53, line 9, strike “related” and insert “relating”.

Page 60, line 8, strike “related” and insert “relating”.

Page 66, line 21, strike “related” and insert “relating”.

Page 74, line 15, strike “related” and insert “relating”.

Page 78, line 21, add a period at the end.

Page 97, line 12, strike “1703” and insert “603”.

Page 106, strike line 14 and all that follows through page 109, line 13, and insert the following:

1           “(f) WAIVER OF AUTHORITIES.—(1) Subject to re-  
2    porting under paragraph (2) and approval under para-  
3    graph (3), in implementing a pilot program under this sec-  
4    tion, the Secretary may waive such requirements in sub-  
5    sections I, II, and III of this chapter as the Secretary  
6    determines necessary solely for the purposes of carrying  
7    out this section with respect to testing models described  
8    in subsection (a).

9           “(2) Before waiving any authority under paragraph  
10   (1), the Secretary shall submit to the Speaker of the  
11   House of Representatives, the minority leader of the  
12   House of Representatives, the majority leader of the Sen-  
13   ate, the minority leader of the Senate, and each standing  
14   committee with jurisdiction under the rules of the Senate  
15   and of the House of Representatives to report a bill to  
16   amend the provision or provisions of law that would be  
17   waived by the Department, a report on a request for waiv-  
18   er that describes in detail the following:

19           “(A) The specific authorities to be waived  
20    under the pilot program.

21           “(B) The standard or standards to be used in  
22    the pilot program in lieu of the waived authorities.

1           “(C) The reasons for such waiver or waivers.

2           “(D) A description of the metric or metrics the  
3 Secretary will use to determine the effect of the  
4 waiver or waivers upon the access to and quality,  
5 timeliness, or patient satisfaction of care and serv-  
6 ices furnished through the pilot program.

7           “(E) The anticipated cost savings, if any, of the  
8 pilot program.

9           “(F) The schedule for interim reports on the  
10 pilot program describing the results of the pilot pro-  
11 gram so far and the feasibility and advisability of  
12 continuing the pilot program.

13           “(G) The schedule for the termination of the  
14 pilot program and the submission of a final report  
15 on the pilot program describing the result of the  
16 pilot program and the feasibility and advisability of  
17 making the pilot program permanent.

18           “(H) The estimated budget of the pilot pro-  
19 gram.

20           “(3)(A) Upon receipt of a report submitted under  
21 paragraph (2), each House of Congress shall provide cop-  
22 ies of the report to the chairman and ranking member of  
23 each standing committee with jurisdiction under the rules  
24 of the House of Representatives or the Senate to report

1 a bill to amend the provision or provisions of law that  
2 would be waived by the Department under this subsection.

3 “(B) The waiver requested by the Secretary under  
4 paragraph (2) shall be considered approved under this  
5 paragraph if there is enacted into law a joint resolution  
6 approving such request in its entirety.

7 “(C) For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘joint  
8 resolution’ means only a joint resolution which is intro-  
9 duced within the period of five legislative days beginning  
10 on the date on which the Secretary transmits the report  
11 to the Congress under such paragraph (2), and—

12 “(i) which does not have a preamble; and

13 “(ii) the matter after the resolving clause of  
14 which is as follows: ‘that Congress approves the re-  
15 quest for a waiver under section 1703E(f) of title  
16 38, United States Code, as submitted by the Sec-  
17 retary on \_\_\_\_\_’, the blank space being filled with  
18 the appropriate date.

19 “(D)(i) Any committee of the House of Representa-  
20 tives to which a joint resolution is referred shall report  
21 it to the House without amendment not later than 15 leg-  
22 islative days after the date of introduction thereof. If a  
23 committee fails to report the joint resolution within that  
24 period, the committee shall be discharged from further  
25 consideration of the joint resolution.

1           “(ii) It shall be in order at any time after the third  
2 legislative day after each committee authorized to consider  
3 a joint resolution has reported or has been discharged  
4 from consideration of a joint resolution, to move to pro-  
5 ceed to consider the joint resolution in the House. All  
6 points of order against the motion are waived. Such a mo-  
7 tion shall not be in order after the House has disposed  
8 of a motion to proceed on a joint resolution addressing  
9 a particular submission. The previous question shall be  
10 considered as ordered on the motion to its adoption with-  
11 out intervening motion. The motion shall not be debatable.  
12 A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is  
13 disposed of shall not be in order.

14           “(iii) The joint resolution shall be considered as read.  
15 All points of order against the joint resolution and against  
16 its consideration are waived. The previous question shall  
17 be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to its pas-  
18 sage without intervening motion except two hours of de-  
19 bate equally divided and controlled by the proponent and  
20 an opponent. A motion to reconsider the vote on passage  
21 of the joint resolution shall not be in order.

22           “(E)(i) A joint resolution introduced in the Senate  
23 shall be referred to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

24           “(ii) Any committee of the Senate to which a joint  
25 resolution is referred shall report it to the Senate without

1 amendment not later than 15 session days after the date  
2 of introduction of a joint resolution described in paragraph  
3 (C). If a committee fails to report the joint resolution  
4 within that period, the committee shall be discharged from  
5 further consideration of the joint resolution and the joint  
6 resolution shall be placed on the calendar.

7 “(iii)(I) Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing  
8 Rules of the Senate, it is in order at any time after the  
9 third session day on which the Committee on Veterans’  
10 Affairs has reported or has been discharged from consider-  
11 ation of a joint resolution described in paragraph (C)  
12 (even though a previous motion to the same effect has  
13 been disagreed to) to move to proceed to the consideration  
14 of the joint resolution, and all points of order against the  
15 joint resolution (and against consideration of the joint res-  
16 olution) are waived. The motion to proceed is not debat-  
17 able. The motion is not subject to a motion to postpone.  
18 A motion to reconsider the vote by which the motion is  
19 agreed to or disagreed to shall not be in order. If a motion  
20 to proceed to the consideration of the resolution is agreed  
21 to, the joint resolution shall remain the unfinished busi-  
22 ness until disposed of.

23 “(II) Consideration of the joint resolution, and on all  
24 debatable motions and appeals in connection therewith,  
25 shall be limited to not more than two hours, which shall

1 be divided equally between the majority and minority lead-  
2 ers or their designees. A motion further to limit debate  
3 is in order and not debatable. An amendment to, or a mo-  
4 tion to postpone, or a motion to proceed to the consider-  
5 ation of other business, or a motion to recommit the joint  
6 resolution is not in order.

7 “(III) If the Senate has voted to proceed to a joint  
8 resolution, the vote on passage of the joint resolution shall  
9 occur immediately following the conclusion of consider-  
10 ation of the joint resolution, and a single quorum call at  
11 the conclusion of the debate if requested in accordance  
12 with the rules of the Senate.

13 “(IV) Appeals from the decisions of the Chair relat-  
14 ing to the application of the rules of the Senate, as the  
15 case may be, to the procedure relating to a joint resolution  
16 shall be decided without debate.

17 “(F) A joint resolution considered pursuant to this  
18 paragraph shall not be subject to amendment in either the  
19 House of Representatives or the Senate.

20 “(G)(i) If, before the passage by one House of the  
21 joint resolution of that House, that House receives the  
22 joint resolution from the other House, then the following  
23 procedures shall apply:

24 “(I) The joint resolution of the other House  
25 shall not be referred to a committee.

1           “(II) With respect to the joint resolution of the  
2 House receiving the joint resolution—

3                   “(aa) the procedure in that House  
4 shall be the same as if no joint resolution  
5 had been received from the other House;  
6 but

7                   “(bb) the vote on passage shall be on  
8 the joint resolution of the other House.

9           “(ii) If the Senate fails to introduce or consider  
10 a joint resolution under this paragraph, the joint  
11 resolution of the House shall be entitled to expedited  
12 floor procedures under this subparagraph.

13           “(iii) If, following passage of the joint resolu-  
14 tion in the Senate, the Senate then receives the com-  
15 panion measure from the House of Representatives,  
16 the companion measure shall not be debatable.

17           “(H) This subparagraph is enacted by Congress—

18                   “(i) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of  
19 the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-  
20 tively, and as such it is deemed a part of the rules  
21 of each House, respectively, but applicable only with  
22 respect to the procedure to be followed in that  
23 House in the case of a joint resolution, and it super-  
24 sedes other rules only to the extent that it is incon-  
25 sistent with such rules; and



1           “(ii) with full recognition of the constitutional  
2           right of either House to change the rules (so far as  
3           relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,  
4           in the same manner, and to the same extent as in  
5           the case of any other rule of that House.”.

Page 165, line 4, strike “section 204(b)” and insert  
“this subtitle”.

Page 169, strike line 19 and all that follows through  
page 170, line 4, and insert the following:

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—If, before the passage by  
7           one House of the joint resolution of that House, that  
8           House receives the joint resolution from the other  
9           House, then the following procedures shall apply:

10           “(A) The joint resolution of the other  
11           House shall not be referred to a committee.

12           “(B) With respect to the joint resolution of  
13           the House receiving the joint resolution—

14           “(i) the procedure in that House shall  
15           be the same as if no joint resolution had  
16           been received from the other House; but

17           “(ii) the vote on passage shall be on  
18           the joint resolution of the other House.”.

Page 191, line 18, strike “amount” and insert  
“amount,”.

Page 193, in the matter following line 2, strike “Sec.” before the item relating to section 7691.

Page 215, line 17, strike the comma.

Page 229, after line 6, add the following new section:

**1 SEC. 512. BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

2 (a) STATUTORY PAY-AS-YOU-GO SCORECARDS.—The  
3 budgetary effects of this Act shall not be entered on either  
4 PAYGO scorecard maintained pursuant to section 4(d) of  
5 the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010.

6 (b) SENATE PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budgetary  
7 effects of this Act shall not be entered on any PAYGO  
8 scorecard maintained for purposes of section 4106 of H.  
9 Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

