

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 9237
OFFERED BY MR. PATRONIS OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle IV, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 4 ____ . RELOCATING HEADQUARTERS OF VETERANS IN-**
2 **TEGRATED SERVICE NETWORKS OF THE DE-**
3 **PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

4 (a) COVERED FIELD OFFICE OR FACILITY.—In any
5 establishment, realignment, or reorganization of a Vet-
6 erans Integrated Service Network (hereinafter, “VISN”),
7 the Secretary shall ensure that each VISN is managed by
8 a single headquarters office. Each such headquarters loca-
9 tion shall be selected by the Secretary in accordance with
10 subsection (b).

11 (b) SELECTION OF LOCATION.—In selecting the loca-
12 tion of a VISN headquarters office under subsection (a),
13 the Secretary shall—

14 (1) select the location within the geographic
15 boundaries of the VISN that contains the congres-
16 sional district that—

17 (A) contains at least one existing facility of
18 the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

1 (B) has the highest concentration of vet-
2 erans measured on a per capita basis; and

3 (2) in determining where to locate such facility
4 within the congressional district described in para-
5 graph (1), the Secretary shall consider—

6 (A) proximity to major roads;

7 (B) proximity to veteran population within
8 the congressional district;

9 (C) facility costs and availability of land;
10 and

11 (D) other factors the Secretary determines
12 appropriate.

