

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1133

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## AN ACT

To amend the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for an operation on a live donor for purposes of conducting a transplant procedure for a veteran, and for other purposes.

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 “Veterans Transplant  
3 Coverage Act of 2017”.

4 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE FOR OPERATIONS ON**  
5 **LIVE DONORS FOR PURPOSES OF CON-**  
6 **DUCTING TRANSPLANT PROCEDURES FOR**  
7 **VETERANS.**

8       Section 101 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Ac-  
9 countability Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–146; 38 U.S.C.  
10 1701 note) is amended by adding after subsection (t) the  
11 following new subsection:

12       “(u) TRANSPLANT PROCEDURES WITH LIVE DO-  
13 NORS AND RELATED SERVICES.—

14           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)  
15 and (3), in a case in which a veteran is eligible for  
16 a transplant procedure from the Department, the  
17 Secretary may provide for an operation on a live  
18 donor to carry out such procedure for such veteran,  
19 notwithstanding that the live donor may not be eligi-  
20 ble for health care from the Department.

21           “(2) OTHER SERVICES.—Subject to the avail-  
22 ability of appropriations for such purpose, the Sec-  
23 retary shall furnish to a live donor any care or serv-  
24 ices before and after conducting the transplant pro-  
25 cedure under paragraph (1) that may be required in  
26 connection with such procedure.

1           “(3) USE OF NON-DEPARTMENT FACILITIES.—

2           In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary may  
3           provide for the operation described in paragraph (1)  
4           on a live donor and furnish to the live donor the  
5           care and services described in paragraph (2) at a  
6           non-Department facility pursuant to an agreement  
7           entered into by the Secretary under this section. The  
8           live donor shall be deemed to be an individual eligi-  
9           ble for hospital care and medical services at a non-  
10          Department facility pursuant to such an agreement  
11          solely for the purposes of receiving such operation,  
12          care, and services at the non-Department facility.”.

        Passed the House of Representatives November 7,  
2017.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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