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**House Advances Heller and Casey VA Bonus Transparency   
*Next Step Is President Trump’s Desk***

**Washington, DC –** U.S. Senators Dean Heller (R-NV) released the following statements after the Department of Veterans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act (S. 114) passed the House of Representatives. The legislation is now headed to President Trump to be signed into law.

“I commend the House of Representatives for their work on this important issue, and hope President Trump signs this legislation into law soon,” **said Heller.** “I was proud to once again work with Senator Casey legislation that helps our veterans. Our bill will ensure bonuses paid out to VA employees only reflect high-quality work and performance. While I know that many of the VA’s employees take care of our veterans with dedication, greater transparency will improve the quality of care Nevada’s veterans receive, and the Department of Veterans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act is a positive step forward for real accountability at the VA.”

The Department of Veterans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to annually report on the bonuses awarded to critical positions within the VA, including VA Regional Office (VARO) directors, VA hospital directors, and Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) directors.

Heller, a senior member of the Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee, [partnered with Senator Bob Casey (D-PA)](https://www.heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2017/5/heller-and-casey-va-bonus-transparency-bill-clears-the-senatehttps:/www.heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2017/5/heller-and-casey-va-bonus-transparency-bill-clears-the-senate) on this legislation. Heller and Casey are also co-chairs of the Senate’s VA Backlog Working Group, dedicated to decreasing the number of disability claims for thousands of veterans across the country.

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