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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **For Immediate Release:** | **Contact:** [Neal A. Patel](mailto:neal_patel@heller.senate.gov) | | July 14, 2016 | 202-224-6244 |   **Heller Fights for Veterans on Senate Floor**  *Urges Colleagues to Support VA Appropriations Bill*  **(Washington, DC)** – Today, U.S. Senator Dean Heller (R-NV) spoke on the Senate floor, urging his colleagues to support the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies (MilCon-VA) Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2017. During the speech, Senator Heller emphasized the importance of providing the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) the funds necessary to continue to fix the issues plaguing the agency and to keep the commitments made to our brave veterans. Click [HERE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JCVb7ES11-g&feature=youtu.be) or below to watch his speech.   |  | | --- | | *“As a member of the Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee, advocating on behalf of our nation and Nevada’s brave heroes has been one of my greatest privileges.*  *Whether it is timely appointments for health care, eliminating the disabilities claims backlog, or addressing poor performance, I am constantly fighting for accountability at the VA.*  *“Again, I call on my colleagues to move the VA Appropriations bill forward so we can keep our commitment to veterans and begin to fix the long list of issues that plague our VA.”*  For Senator Heller’s full remarks, click [HERE](http://www.heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=remarks-as-prepared_2). | | **###** |   [http://www.heller.senate.gov/public/vendor/_skins/heller/images/newsletter/icon_fb.png](http://www.facebook.com/pages/US-Senator-Dean-Heller/325751330177) [http://www.heller.senate.gov/public/vendor/_skins/heller/images/newsletter/icon_tw.png](http://twitter.com/SenDeanHeller) [http://www.heller.senate.gov/public/vendor/_skins/heller/images/newsletter/icon_yt.png](http://www.youtube.com/user/SenDeanHeller) |