



March 21, 2017

The Honorable David P. Roe (TN)
United States House of Representatives
336 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Dr. Roe,

On behalf of the Association of the United States Navy (AUSN), we applaud and support your bill H.R. 369, which would eliminate the sunset of the Veterans Choice Program.

Due to increasing wait times, distance from a VA hospital, or lack of available specialists, it is often necessary that Veterans rely on healthcare outside of the VA. By eliminating the sunset provision, Veterans will not have to worry about whether or not their outside medical expenses will be covered. We owe it to our Veterans to provide them with the best and most reliable healthcare possible, whether that is through a VA hospital or through an outside facility.

H.R. 369 is a commendable piece of legislation which will amend the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 by eliminating by the sunset provision on the Veterans Choice Program. We at AUSN strongly believe that Veterans should get the quality of healthcare they deserve and we look forward to working with your committee to ensure that happens.

Thank you for taking an active role in such an important issue to the Military and Veteran community by working to improve the lives and careers of those who served our great nation. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 703-548-5800 or at michael.little@ausn.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Joseph Little" with "AUSN" and "USNR" written below it.

Michael J. Little
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