

BUILD FOR VETERANS ACT

Chairman Jon Tester's bill to modernize the delivery of VA medical facilities and other infrastructure projects

VA currently lacks a clear roadmap, sufficient internal capacity, and consistent funding to tackle building or remodeling of facilities identified by the Department as needed in order to serve America's veterans.

As part of his continued push to strengthen veterans' health care and benefits, Chairman Tester's ***Build, Utilize, Invest, Learn, and Deliver (BUILD) for Veterans Act of 2022*** would strengthen VA's internal capacity to initiate and complete these projects to best meet the needs of current and future veterans—including women veterans, veterans in need of long-term care services, and veterans with spinal cord injuries and diseases.



Develops relevant plans and infrastructure workforce hiring strategies to accomplish new facility projects and provide Congress performance data for enhanced oversight



Examines infrastructure budgeting strategies, identifies what reforms are required informed by industry best practices



Provides annual budget requirements over a 10-year period allowing Congress and the Department to modernize VA's infrastructure through a strategic, comprehensive approach



Implements a more concrete schedule to dispose of or repurpose unused and vacant buildings to safeguard taxpayer dollars