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H. R. 94

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require congressional approval before the appropriation of funds for the Department of Veterans Affairs major medical facility leases.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 2017

Ms. BROWNLEY of California (for herself, Mr. TAKANO, and Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Build a Better VA
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT OF**
2 **VETERANS AFFAIRS MAJOR MEDICAL FACIL-**
3 **ITY LEASES.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 8104(a)(2) of title 38,
5 United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) by striking “No funds” and inserting “(A)
7 No funds”;

8 (2) by striking “or any major medical facility
9 lease”;

10 (3) by striking “or lease”; and

11 (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 paragraph:

13 “(B) No funds may be appropriated for any fiscal
14 year for any major medical facility lease unless the Com-
15 mittees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of
16 Representatives adopt resolutions approving the lease.”.

17 (b) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendments made by sub-
18 section (a) shall apply with respect to a lease entered into
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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