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## Statement by VA Secretary Shulkin in Support of Senate Accountability Bill

**WASHINGTON** — Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Secretary Dr. David J. Shulkin is issuing the following statement in support of the Senate Accountability Bill:

"I'm pleased to see the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee moving forward tomorrow on our much-needed accountability bill, and hope the senators pass it promptly without delay.

Another example from this month underscores the need for accountability at VA: An employee who was convicted no fewer than three times for driving under the influence of alcohol, and who just served a 60-day jail sentence, is now returning to work at a VA facility.

No other hospital system or business would have to put up with this, and the Senate bill is a solid first step on accountability. More to come."

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