To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish within the Office of the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs the position of Chief Information Officer of the Veterans Health Administration, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Department of Veterans Affairs Information Technology Restructuring Act of 2017”.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF POSITION OF CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER OF VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.

(a) In General.—Section 7306(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (10) as paragraph (11); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (9) the following new paragraph (10):

“(10) The Chief Information Officer of the Veterans Health Administration, who shall—

“(A) serve in a full-time capacity at the Central Office of the Department; and

“(B) be responsible to, and report directly to, the Under Secretary for Health on all matters regarding the procurement, acquisition, and management of information technology systems and services for the Veterans Health Administration.”.

(b) Initial Appointment.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall appoint an individual to serve as the Chief Information Officer of the Veterans Health Administration under section 7306(a)(10) of title 38, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a).