NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC Form 8-K July 01, 2013

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 1, 2013 (July 1, 2013)

NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	001-10822
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission
of incorporation)	File Number)

222 Robert Rose Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37129 (Address of principal executive offices)

(615) 890-9100 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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62-1470956 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On July 1, 2013, National Health Investors, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has acquired 17 assisted living and memory care communities for a total purchase price of \$135 million through a RIDEA joint venture with Bickford Senior Living ("Bickford").

The press release is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 99 and hereby incorporated to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit IndexNumberExhibit99HTML version of press release issued July 1, 2013, titled "NHI Announces \$135 Million Acquisition of<br/>17 Assisted Living Communities."

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

## NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS, INC.

By: /s/ Roger R. Hopkins Name: Roger R. Hopkins Title: Principal Financial Officer

Date: July 1, 2013