Amendment to H.R. 4820, as Reported Offered by Mr. Casten of Illinois

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. STUDY AND REPORT ON MENTAL HEALTH CARE 2 FOR PILOTS AND AVIATORS.

3 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Transportation and 4 the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall collabo-5 rate on a study on the barriers to mental health care for 6 military pilots and air traffic control specialists. The study 7 shall include the development of a set of recommendations 8 to ensure that pilots and air traffic control specialists who 9 need mental health care have—

- 10 (1) no more barriers to care than any barriers11 to receiving physical health care;
- 12 (2) no more consequences for seeking care than
 13 any consequences for seeking physical health care;
 14 and

(3) no less scientifically-robust bases for being
treated and re-cleared for duty than pilots and air
traffic control specialists who need physical health
care.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and
 the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall jointly
 submit to Congress a report that contains the results of
 the study required under subsection (a).

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