AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MRS. BUSTOS OF ILLINOIS

At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following new section:

SEC. 530. RECOGNITION AND HONORING OF SERVICE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVED IN UNITED STATES CADET NURSE CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II.

(a) Determination of Active Military Service.—

(1) In general.—The Secretary of Defense shall be deemed to have determined under subparagraph (A) of section 401(a)(1) of the GI Bill Improvement Act of 1977 (Public Law 95–202; 38 U.S.C. 106 note) that the service of the organization known as the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during the period beginning on July 1, 1943, and ending on December 31, 1948, constitutes active military service.

(2) Issuance of discharge.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall, pursuant to subparagraph (B) of
such section, issue to each member of such organization a discharge from service of such organization under honorable conditions where the nature and duration of the service of such member so warrants.

(b) Benefits.—

(1) Status as a Veteran.—Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an individual who receives a discharge under subsection (a)(2) for service shall be honored as a veteran but shall not be entitled by reason of such service to any benefit under a law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

(2) Burial Benefits.—Service for which an individual receives a discharge under subsection (a)(2) shall be considered service in the active military, naval, or air service (as defined in section 101 of title 38, United States Code) for purposes of eligibility and entitlement to benefits under chapters 23 and 24 of title 38, United States Code, not including section 2410 of that title.

(3) Medals or Other Commendations.—The Secretary of Defense may design and produce a service medal or other commendation to honor indi-
individuals who receive a discharge under subsection (a)(2).