AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. CRAWFORD OF ARKANSAS

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

SEC. 596. POSTPONEMENT OF CONDITIONAL DESIGNATION OF EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL CORPS AS A BASIC BRANCH OF THE ARMY.

Section 582(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91; 10 U.S.C. 763 note) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “October 1, 2020” and inserting “October 1, 2025”; and

(2) in paragraph (2)—

(A) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “September 30, 2020” and inserting “September 30, 2025”;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “the explosive ordnance disposal commandant (chief of explosive ordnance disposal),” before “qualified”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
“(G) The explosive ordnance disposal commandant (chief of explosive ordnance disposal) has ensured that explosive ordnance disposal soldiers have the mobility skills necessary to support special operations forces (as identified in section 167(j) of title 10, United States Code). Such skills include airborne, air assault, combat diver, fast roping insertion and extraction, helocasting, military free-fall, and off-road driving.”