AMENDMENT TO

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At the end of subtitle C of title V, insert the following:

1 SEC. 5____. CONTINUING MILITARY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN 2 MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR CHAPTER 61 RE 3 TIREMENT.

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
5 date of the enactment of this act, the Secretary of Defense
6 shall prescribe regulations that allow a covered member
7 to continue to elect to serve in the Armed Forces—

- 8 (1) in the current military occupational spe9 cialty of such covered member, for which the covered
 10 member may not be deployable; or
- (2) in a military occupational specialty forwhich the covered member is deployable.

(b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—A covered member
who completes 20 years of service computed under section
1208 of title 10, United States Code shall not be denied
any benefit under laws administered by the Secretary of
Defense or the Secretary of Veterans Affairs solely on the
basis that the covered member elected to continue to serve

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1 in the Armed Forces instead of taking retirement under 2 chapter 61 of title 10, United States Code 3 (c) COVERED MEMBER DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered member" means a member of the 4 5 Armed Forces— 6 (1) whom the Secretary concerned determines 7 possesses skill or experience vital to the Armed 8 Force concerned; 9 (2) who incurs a disability— 10 (A) while eligible for special pay under sec-11 tion 310 of title 37, United States Code; and 12 (B) that renders the member eligible for 13 retirement under chapter 61 of title 10, United States Code; and 14 15 (3) who elects to continue to serve in the Armed Forces instead of such retirement. 16

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