AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. CROW OF COLORADO

Insert the following new section at the beginning of subtitle C of title V (and redesignate the following sections accordingly):

SEC. 5. REASSIGNMENT FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ON THE BASIS OF THE RESIDENCE OF A DEPENDENT CHILD.

Chapter 39 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by inserting, after item 674, the following new section:

“§ 675. Permanent change of station or unit transfer for a member on active duty on the basis of the residence of a dependent child

“(a) Timely Consideration and Action.—(1) A commanding officer shall determine whether to grant a request for a covered reassignment not later than five calendar days after the covered member makes such request.

“(2) If a commanding officer denies a request under paragraph (1), the covered member may request review of such denial by the first general officer or flag officer in the chain of command of the covered member. Such general officer or flag officer shall determine whether to
affirm or reverse such denial not later than 2 weeks after
the covered member makes such request.

“(b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall
prescribe regulations to ensure that this section is carried
out as uniformly as possible across the military depart-
ments.

“(c) PRIVACY.—A commanding officer shall, to the
greatest extent practicable, protect the privacy of a cov-
ered member who requests a covered reassignment.

“(d) PROHIBITION.—No covered member may be
subject to any adverse action for requesting a covered re-
assignment.

“(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) The term ‘covered child’ means a depend-
ent child of a member of the armed forces who is
registered under the Defense Enrollment Eligibility
Reporting System (or successor system).

“(2) The term ‘covered member’ means a mem-
ber—

“(A) serving on active duty;

“(B) who has a covered child; and

“(C) assigned to a duty station located
more than 300 miles from the residence of such
covered child.
“(3) The term ‘covered reassignment’ means a request—

“(A) by a covered member; and

“(B) for a permanent change of station, or a unit transfer, to a duty station located within 300 miles of the residence of the covered child of such covered member.”.