

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle G of title V, add the following:

1 **SEC. 567. CONNECTIONS OF MEMBERS RETIRING OR SEPA-**
2 **RATING FROM THE ARMED FORCES WITH**
3 **COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND**
4 **RELATED ENTITIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense and the
6 Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly seek to enter
7 into memoranda of understanding or other agreements
8 with State veterans agencies under which information
9 from Department of Defense Form DD–2648 on individ-
10 uals undergoing retirement, discharge, or release from the
11 Armed Forces is transmitted to one or more State vet-
12 erans agencies, as elected by such individuals, to provide
13 or connect veterans to benefits or services as follows:

- 14 (1) Assistance in preparation of resumes.
15 (2) Training for employment interviews.
16 (3) Employment recruitment training.
17 (4) Other services leading directly to a success-
18 ful transition from military life to civilian life.

1 (5) Healthcare, including care for mental
2 health.

3 (6) Transportation or transportation-related
4 services.

5 (7) Housing.

6 (8) Such other benefits or services as the Secre-
7 taries jointly consider appropriate for purposes of
8 this section.

9 (b) INFORMATION TRANSMITTED.—The information
10 transmitted on individuals as described in subsection (a)
11 shall be such information on Form DD–2648 as the Secre-
12 taries jointly consider appropriate to facilitate community-
13 based organizations and related entities in providing or
14 connecting such individuals to benefits and services as de-
15 scribed in subsection (a).

16 (c) MODIFICATION OF FORM DD–2648.—The Sec-
17 retary of Defense shall make such modifications to Form
18 DD–2648 as the Secretary considers appropriate to allow
19 an individual filling out the form to indicate an email ad-
20 dress at which the individual may be contacted to receive
21 or be connected to benefits or services described in sub-
22 section (a).

23 (d) VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION.—Information on an
24 individual may be transmitted to and through a State vet-
25 erans agency as described in subsection (a) only with the

1 consent of the individual. In giving such consent, an indi-
2 vidual shall specify the following:

3 (1) The State veterans agency or agencies elect-
4 ed by the individual to transmit such information as
5 described in subsection (a).

6 (2) The benefits and services for which contact
7 information shall be so transmitted.

8 (3) Such other information on the individual as
9 the individual considers appropriate in connection
10 with the transmittal.

