

AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. FINE OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 7____. GRANT PROGRAM FOR INCREASED COOPERA-**
2 **TION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DIS-**
3 **ORDER RESEARCH BETWEEN UNITED STATES**
4 **AND ISRAEL.**

5 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
6 gress that the Secretary of Defense, acting through the
7 Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Re-
8 search Program, should seek to explore scientific collabo-
9 ration between American academic institutions and non-
10 profit research entities, and Israeli institutions with exper-
11 tise in researching, diagnosing, and treating post-trau-
12 matic stress disorder.

13 (b) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Defense, in
14 coordination with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and
15 the Secretary of State, shall award grants to eligible enti-
16 ties to carry out collaborative research between the United
17 States and Israel with respect to post-traumatic stress dis-
18 orders. The Secretary of Defense shall carry out the grant

1 program under this section in accordance with the agree-
2 ment titled “Agreement Between the Government of the
3 United States of America and the Government of Israel
4 on the United States-Israel Binational Science Founda-
5 tion”, dated September 27, 1972.

6 (c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive a
7 grant under this section, an entity shall be an academic
8 institution or a nonprofit entity located in the United
9 States.

10 (d) AWARD.—The Secretary shall award grants
11 under this section to eligible entities that—

12 (1) carry out a research project that—

13 (A) addresses a requirement in the area of
14 post-traumatic stress disorders that the Sec-
15 retary determines appropriate to research using
16 such grant; and

17 (B) is conducted by the eligible entity and
18 an entity in Israel under a joint research agree-
19 ment; and

20 (2) meet such other criteria that the Secretary
21 may establish.

22 (e) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
23 under this section, an eligible entity shall submit an appli-
24 cation to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and

1 containing such commitments and information as the Sec-
2 retary may require.

3 (f) GIFT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may accept,
4 hold, and administer, any gift of money made on the con-
5 dition that the gift be used for the purpose of the grant
6 program under this section. Such gifts of money accepted
7 under this subsection shall be deposited in the Treasury
8 in the Department of Defense General Gift Fund and shall
9 be available, subject to appropriation, without fiscal year
10 limitation.

11 (g) REPORTS.—Not later than 180 days after the
12 date on which an eligible entity completes a research
13 project using a grant under this section, the Secretary
14 shall submit to Congress a report that contains—

15 (1) a description of how the eligible entity used
16 the grant; and

17 (2) an evaluation of the level of success of the
18 research project.

19 (h) TERMINATION.—The authority to award grants
20 under this section shall terminate on the date that is 7
21 years after the date on which the first such grant is
22 awarded.

