

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4365, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. GAETZ OF FLORIDA

At the end of the bill (before the short title) insert the following:

1 SEC. 8155. (a) Of the amounts appropriated in this
2 Act under the heading “Operation and Maintenance, De-
3 fense-Wide”, for the Defense Security Cooperation Agen-
4 cy, \$100,000,000 shall be available to reinstate a covered
5 individual, at the election of such covered individual, as
6 a member of the Armed Force concerned, in the same
7 rank and grade the covered individual held at the time
8 of separation from such Armed Force.

9 (b) A covered individual may make an election under
10 this subsection during the period of 180 days following
11 the date of the enactment of this Act. The Secretary con-
12 cerned shall reinstate a covered individual who makes such
13 an election not later than 180 days after such election.

14 (c) A covered individual who makes an election under
15 subsection (a) shall be entitled to—

16 (1) back pay for the period between the separa-
17 tion of the covered individual from the Armed
18 Forces and the date of the enactment of this Act;
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1 (2) a hardship bonus in the amount of \$15,000.

2 (d) In this section:

3 (1) The term “covered individual” means an in-
4 dividual who was involuntarily separated from an
5 Armed Force solely on the basis of the refusal of
6 such individual to receive a vaccination against
7 COVID-19.

8 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the
9 meaning given such term in section 101 of title 10,
10 United States Code.

