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At the end of subtitle I of title V, add the following:

SEC. 5. CHAPLAINcies of the Armed Forces.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purposes of the chaplaincies of the Armed Forces are—

(1) to accommodate the religious needs of members of the Armed Forces;

(2) to provide religious and pastoral care to members of the Armed Forces; and

(3) to provide advice to commanders of the Armed Forces on the complexities of religion with regard to the respective commander’s personnel and mission, as appropriate.

(b) Requirements.—Each chaplain of the Armed Forces shall be—

(1) a member of a religious organization;

(2) of sufficient education and ecclesiastical qualification; and

(3) qualified to conduct religious observances or ceremonies.