

AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. GOLDEN OF MAINE

At the end of subtitle E of title III, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3__ . REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO WEARING OP-**
2 **TIONAL COMBAT BOOTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 shall issue regulations to prohibit any member of the
6 Armed Forces from wearing optional combat boots as part
7 of a required uniform unless the optional combat boots
8 are entirely manufactured in the United States and en-
9 tirely made of—

10 (1) materials grown, reprocessed, reused, or
11 produced in the United States; and

12 (2) components that are manufactured entirely
13 in the United States and entirely made of materials
14 described in paragraph (1).

15 (b) WAIVER.—The requirements of subsection (a)
16 may be waived if a member of the Armed Forces provides
17 a medical justification authorized by the commanding offi-

1 cer of such member to wear optional combat boots as part
2 of a required uniform.

3 (c) EXCEPTION.—The requirements of subsection (a)
4 shall not apply with respect to a member of the Armed
5 Forces within a combat arms military occupational spe-
6 cialty, or a special forces military occupational specialty,
7 who is in a deployed status.

8 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) The term “optional combat boots”, with re-
10 spect to a member of the Armed Forces, means com-
11 bat boots not furnished to such member of the
12 Armed Forces by the Secretary of Defense.

13 (2) The term “required uniform” means a uni-
14 form a member of the Armed Forces is required to
15 wear as a member of the Armed Forces.

