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Add at the end of subtitle B of title XVIII, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 18___. COMPTROLLER GENERAL ANALYSIS ON 2 HEALTHCARE CONSOLIDATION.

3 Not later than 12 months after the date of the enact-4 ment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United 5 States shall conduct a study to determine to what extent 6 health care consolidation is taking place and how this con-7 solidation in health care is contributing, among other fac-8 tors, to the following indicators:

- 9 (1) Veteran's access to community care.
- 10 (2) The cost of community care for veterans.

(3) The cost of providing benefits under the
TRICARE program members of the Armed Forces
and dependents of such members.

(4) Quality ratings for the health care facilities.
(5) Regulation compliance violations, including
dischargers for patients with Medicare or Medicaid
coverage and total discharges per year.

(6) Staffing levels and ratios.

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(7) Employee wages.

2 (8) Hospital capacity, including number of3 beds.

- (9) Revenue and cost to charge ratio.
- 5 (10) Payor mix and case mix index.
- 6 (11) In-network versus out of network referrals.

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