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At the end of subtitle G of title V, insert the following:

SEC. 5. PILOT TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR MILITARY SPOUSES.

(a) Establishment.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a pilot transition assistance program for covered individuals (in this section referred to as the “pilot program”).

(b) Services.—The Secretary of Defense shall provide to a covered individual, who elects to participate in the pilot program, services similar to those available under TAP to members of the Armed Forces, including the following:

(1) Assessments of prior education, work history, and employment aspirations of covered individuals, to tailor appropriate employment services.

(2) Preparation for employment through services like mock interviews and salary negotiations,
training on professional networking platforms, and company research.

(3) Job placement services.

(4) Services offering guidance on available health care resources, mental health resources, and financial assistance resources.

(5) Training in mental health first aid to learn how to assist someone experiencing a mental health or substance use-related crisis.

(c) LOCATIONS.—The Secretary shall carry out the pilot program at 12 military installations located in the United States.

(d) DURATION.—The pilot program shall terminate five years after enactment.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the and House of Representatives a report that includes—

(1) a description of the pilot program, including a description of specific activities carried out under this section; and

(2) the metrics and evaluations used to assess the effectiveness of the pilot program.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
(1) The term “covered individual” means a spouse of a member of the Armed Forces eligible for TAP.

(2) The term “military installation” has the meaning given such term in section 2801 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) The term “TAP” means the Transition Assistance Program under sections 1142 and 1144 of title 10, United States Code.