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At the end of subtitle B of title VII, add the following new section:

SEC. 7. OUTREACH CAMPAIGNS TO ENHANCE COMMUNITY TRAUMA CARE.

(a) DEVELOPMENT; IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment, the Director of the Defense Health Agency shall develop and implement outreach campaign plans for each community supported by a military medical treatment facility that provides emergency or trauma care to civilian patients. Such outreach shall include—

(1) coordinating with local emergency medical services agencies on the program and educating them on how best to engage with military medical treatment facilities on community trauma care;

(2) conducting outreach on the trauma care program’s availability and care capabilities through-out local community organizations and the civilian population broadly, including education on best prac-
ties and local transportation options for accessing care;

(3) coordinating with entities, including private health insurance companies and civilian groups, to identify existing barriers to streamlined billing and to develop approaches for the facilities and the Defense Health Agency to better engage with civilian billing systems; and

(4) advancing any other outreach priorities identified by the Director.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 365 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the House and Representatives and Senate a report regarding—

(1) the impact of preexisting outreach efforts and new outreach campaigns on improving trauma care programs’ effectiveness and engagement with the civilian community;

(2) the impact of the outreach campaigns on improving military-civilian billing processes;

(3) best practices developed across outreach campaigns; and
(4) other areas requiring agency attention to further improve engagement across local communities on military-civilian trauma care programs.