

AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7___ . MILITARY FAMILY LIMB LOSS AND LIMB DIF-**
2 **ERENCE SUPPORT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Beginning in fiscal year
4 2028, the Secretary of Defense shall establish a program,
5 to be known as the “Military Family Limb Loss and Limb
6 Difference Support Program” (in this section referred to
7 as the “Program”), to augment the holistic rehabilitative
8 care for covered beneficiaries with limb loss or limb dys-
9 function through peer mentoring, education, and commu-
10 nity outreach.

11 (b) **ACTIVITIES.**—The Program shall include—

12 (1) peer mentorship and family support serv-
13 ices;

14 (2) education related to limb loss care and serv-
15 ices;

16 (3) community reintegration supports;

17 (4) coordination of nonclinical resources;

18 (5) outreach and awareness activities; and

1 (6) such other activities as the Secretary con-
2 siders appropriate.

3 (c) PARTNERSHIPS.—In carrying out the Program,
4 the Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement or
5 contract with one or more organizations that have dem-
6 onstrated experience in carrying out the activities de-
7 scribed in subsection (b) in virtual or in-person settings
8 to support individuals with limb loss or limb difference,
9 including individuals belonging to pediatric, military, or
10 veteran populations.

11 (d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 180
12 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
13 retary shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services
14 of the Senate and the House of Representatives a plan
15 for implementing the Program that—

16 (1) describes the process for selecting and en-
17 tering into cooperative agreements or contracts with
18 organizations under subsection (c);

19 (2) estimates the costs and staffing needs of
20 implementing the Program;

21 (3) assesses the extent to which existing re-
22 sources and programs of the Department of Defense
23 can support the Program;

1 (4) includes performance metrics the Secretary
2 will use to evaluate the effectiveness of the Program;
3 and

4 (5) requires integration of the Program with re-
5 search efforts of the military health system to im-
6 prove health care quality, access and outcomes for
7 members of the Armed Forces and their families.

8 (e) REPORTS REQUIRED.—Not later than one year
9 after the date on which the Program is implemented, and
10 annually for three years thereafter, the Secretary shall
11 submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Sen-
12 ate and the House of Representatives a report that in-
13 cludes, for the year preceding submission of the report—

14 (1) the number and demographic characteristics
15 of covered beneficiaries served by the Program;

16 (2) a description of services provided and part-
17 nerships established under the Program;

18 (3) an assessment of gaps in services or geo-
19 graphic coverage of the Program; and

20 (4) recommendations for legislative or adminis-
21 trative action to improve support for military fami-
22 lies affected by limb loss or limb difference.

23 (f) COVERED BENEFICIARY DEFINED.—In this sec-
24 tion, the term “covered beneficiary” means—

1 (1) an individual who has experienced limb loss
2 or limb difference; and

3 (2) is—

4 (A) a dependent of a member or retired
5 member of the Armed Forces; or

6 (B) otherwise eligible for health care under
7 chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, as
8 determined appropriate by the Secretary.

