

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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OFFERED BY MS. PEREZ OF WASHINGTON

Page 1033, after line 14, add the following:

1 **SEC. 1859. ASSISTING VETERANS WITH MILITARY EMER-**
2 **GENCY MEDICAL TRAINING TO MEET RE-**
3 **QUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING CIVILIAN**
4 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AND**
5 **PARAMEDICS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part B of title III of the Public
7 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 243 et seq.) is amended
8 by inserting after section 320B (42 U.S.C. 247d-11) the
9 following:

10 **“SEC. 320C. ASSISTING VETERANS WITH MILITARY EMER-**
11 **GENCY MEDICAL TRAINING TO MEET RE-**
12 **QUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING CIVILIAN**
13 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AND**
14 **PARAMEDICS.**

15 “(a) PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish a pro-
16 gram consisting of awarding demonstration grants to
17 States to streamline State requirements and procedures
18 in order to assist veterans who completed military emer-
19 gency medical technician training while serving in the

1 Armed Forces of the United States to meet certification,
2 licensure, and other requirements applicable to becoming
3 an emergency medical technician or paramedic in the
4 State.

5 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts received as a dem-
6 onstration grant under this section shall be used to pre-
7 pare and implement a plan to streamline State require-
8 ments and procedures as described in subsection (a), in-
9 cluding by—

10 “(1) determining the extent to which the re-
11 quirements for the education, training, and skill level
12 of emergency medical technicians in the State are
13 equivalent to requirements for the education, train-
14 ing, and skill level of military emergency medical
15 technicians; and

16 “(2) identifying methods, such as waivers, for
17 military emergency medical technicians to forgo or
18 meet any such equivalent State requirements.

19 “(c) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a grant under
20 this section, a State shall demonstrate that the State has
21 a shortage of emergency medical technicians.

22 “(d) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit to the
23 Congress an annual report on the program under this sec-
24 tion.

1 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To
2 carry out this section, there are authorized to be appro-
3 priated \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through
4 2028.”.

5 (b) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the amounts set forth
6 in the funding tables in division D, the amount authorized
7 to be appropriated in section 301 for operation and main-
8 tenance, Defense-wide, as specified in the corresponding
9 funding table in section 4301, for administration and serv-
10 ice-wide activities, Office of the Secretary of Defense, line
11 490, is hereby reduced by \$20,000,000.

