

**AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO  
H.R. 3967  
OFFERED BY MR. BOST OF ILLINOIS**

1       Beginning on page 115, strike line 16 and all that  
2 follows through page 117, line 13, and insert the following:

3       “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—(1)  
4 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Fund for  
5 fiscal year 2023 and each subsequent fiscal year such  
6 sums as are necessary, pursuant to the limitation in para-  
7 graph (2), to increase funding, over the fiscal year 2021  
8 level, for investment in—

9               “(A) the delivery of veterans’ health care asso-  
10 ciated with exposure to environmental hazards in the  
11 active military, naval, air, or space service in pro-  
12 grams administered by the Under Secretary for  
13 Health;

14               “(B) any expenses incident to the delivery of  
15 veterans’ health care and benefits associated with  
16 exposure to environmental hazards in the active mili-  
17 tary, naval, air, or space service, including adminis-  
18 trative expenses, such as information technology and  
19 claims processing and appeals, and excluding leases

1 as authorized or approved under section 8104 of this  
2 title; and

3 “(C) medical and other research relating to ex-  
4 posure to environmental hazards.

5 “(2) LIMITATION.—For the period of fiscal years  
6 2023 through 2031, amounts authorized to be appro-  
7 priated to the Fund may not exceed a cumulative total  
8 of \$116,800,000,000.

9 “(d) BUDGET SCOREKEEPING.—(1) Immediately  
10 upon enactment of the Sergeant First Class Heath Robin-  
11 son Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive  
12 Toxics Act of 2022, expenses authorized to be appro-  
13 priated to the Fund in subsection (c) shall be estimated  
14 for fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2031 and treated  
15 as budget authority that is considered to be direct spend-  
16 ing—

17 “(A) in the baseline for purposes of section 257  
18 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Con-  
19 trol Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 907);

20 “(B) by the Chairman of the Committee on the  
21 Budget of the Senate and the Chair of the Com-  
22 mittee on the Budget of the House of Representa-  
23 tives, as appropriate, for purposes of budget enforce-  
24 ment in the Senate and the House of Representa-  
25 tives;

1           “(C) under the Congressional Budget Act of  
2           1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 et seq.), including in the reports  
3           required by section 308(b) of such Act (2 U.S.C.  
4           639); and

5           “(D) for purposes of the Statutory Pay-As-You-  
6           Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 931 et seq.).

7           “(2)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B),  
8           amounts appropriated to the Fund for fiscal years 2023  
9           through 2031 pursuant to this section shall be counted  
10          as direct spending under the Congressional Budget and  
11          Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 et seq.)  
12          and any other Act.

13          “(B) Any amounts appropriated to the Fund in ex-  
14          cess of the amount specified under subsection (c)(2) shall  
15          be scored as discretionary budget authority and outlays  
16          for any estimate of an appropriations Act.”.

