AMENDMENT TO

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At the end of subtitle C of title V, add the following:

1	SEC. 5 REVIEW OF ADVERSE ACTION AGAINST A CHAP-
2	LAIN WHO REQUESTED EXEMPTION FROM
3	THE COVID-19 VACCINATION MANDATE.
4	(a) Review Required.—Not later than six months
5	after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
6	concerned shall establish a board under section 1552 or
7	1553 of title 10, United States Code, as applicable, to re-
8	view the military personnel record, or the characterization
9	of a discharge or dismissal, of a current or former chaplain
10	in an Armed Force who suffered an adverse personnel ac-
11	tion as a result of, arising from, or in conjunction with,
12	requesting a religious exemption from the COVID-19 vac-
13	cination mandate.
14	(b) Scope of Review.—A review under this section
15	shall cover all adverse personnel actions against a chaplain
16	on or after August 24, 2021.
17	(d) DIRECTED DETERMINATION.—A board estab-
18	lished under this section shall consider any adverse per-

1	sonnel action against a chaplain to be the result of such
2	request. unless there is evidence such chaplain—
3	(1) was disciplined for a reason other than a re-
4	quest described in subsection (a); or
5	(2) breached good order and discipline.
6	(e) Priority.—A board shall consider a request
7	under this section before any other request on the docket
8	of such board.
9	(f) DODIG REPORT.—No later than one year after
10	enactment of this Act, the Inspector General of the De-
11	partment of Defense shall submit to the congressional de-
12	fense committees a report setting forth the results of an
13	investigation by the Inspector General during that one-
14	year period regarding the compliance of the Secretaries
15	concerned with the terms of this section.
16	(g) Definitions.—In this section:
17	(1) The term "adverse personnel action" in-
18	cludes—
19	(A) discrimination;
20	(B) a denial of promotion, schooling, train-
21	ing, or assignment;
22	(C) discharge;
23	(D) dismissal;
24	(E) separation;

1	(F) a lowered or noncompetitive perform
2	ance report;
3	(G) revocation of permanent change of sta
4	tion;
5	(H) revocation of temporary duty travel or
6	ders; and
7	(I) any other restriction or negative con
8	sequence.
9	(2) The term "performance report" means a re
10	port of an Armed Force (including an officer effi
11	ciency report)—
12	(A) that measures the efficiency, leader
13	ship, and effectiveness of an officer; and
14	(B) is used as a basis for promotion selec
15	tions.

