

AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. VAN DREW OF NEW JERSEY

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 7___ . PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL**
2 **TREATMENT FOR EATING DISORDERS TO**
3 **CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES**
4 **AND COVERED BENEFICIARIES.**

5 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Not later than one year after
6 the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary
7 of Defense shall establish a pilot program to provide resi-
8 dential treatment for eating disorders to eligible partici-
9 pants (hereafter in this section referred to as the “pilot
10 program”).

11 (b) **EVALUATION OF TREATMENT.**—The pilot pro-
12 gram shall include procedures for assessing the cost, qual-
13 ity of care, and effectiveness of the treatments provided
14 pursuant to the pilot program.

15 (c) **LIMITATION ON DURATION OF TREATMENT.**—
16 The treatment provided under the pilot program to any
17 individual shall not exceed 6 months.

1 (d) REQUIREMENT OF ACCESS TO CERTAIN FACILI-
2 TIES.—The pilot program shall provide access to—

3 (1) freestanding and hospital-based residential
4 treatment facilities for eating disorders; and

5 (2) residential treatment facilities for eating
6 disorders who are not otherwise authorized to pro-
7 vide services under the TRICARE program.

8 (e) PARTICIPANTS.—The Secretary shall establish a
9 process under which eligible participants may enroll in the
10 pilot program.

11 (f) DURATION.—The Secretary shall carry out the
12 pilot program for a period of 5 years beginning on the
13 date on which notification of the commencement of the
14 pilot program is published in the Federal Register.

15 (g) SURVEYS.—Not later than one year after the date
16 of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter for the
17 duration of the pilot program, the Secretary shall admin-
18 ister a survey to determine how many members of the
19 Armed Services or their dependents use residential treat-
20 ment for eating disorders, disaggregated by—

21 (1) Armed Force;

22 (2) rank and military occupation, if applicable;

23 (3) marital status;

24 (4) sex;

25 (5) age;

1 (6) race; and

2 (7) ethnicity.

3 (h) REPORTS.—

4 (1) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than
5 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
6 the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on
7 Armed Services of the House of Representatives and
8 the Senate a plan to implement the pilot program.

9 (2) FINAL REPORT AND EVALUATION.—Not
10 later than 180 days after the date on which the pilot
11 program terminates, the Secretary shall submit to
12 the Committees on Armed Services of the House of
13 Representatives and the Senate, and publish, a final
14 report. Such report shall include the following ele-
15 ments:

16 (A) The total number of individuals who
17 received treatment under the pilot program
18 (disaggregated as specified in subsection (g)).

19 (B) An assessment of the Secretary, in
20 consultation with the National Academy of
21 Sciences, on whether the pilot program was ef-
22 fective in improving the quality of care and
23 mental health outcomes of participants (meas-
24 ured not later than 6 months after conclusion
25 of treatment).

1 (C) The estimated costs avoided as a result
2 of improved mental health outcomes due to the
3 pilot program.

4 (D) The recommendations of the Secretary
5 whether to expand or make permanent the pilot
6 program.

7 (i) CONFIRMATION OF REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO
8 MAKE PILOT PROGRAM PERMANENT.—If the Secretary
9 determines that the pilot program is successful, the Sec-
10 retary may prescribe regulations, as authorized in Public
11 Law 116–283, to include residential treatment for eating
12 disorders for eligible participants under the TRICARE
13 program.

14 (j) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 (1) The terms “covered beneficiary” and
16 “TRICARE program” have the meanings given
17 those terms in section 1072 of title 10, United
18 States Code.

19 (2) The term “eating disorders” has the mean-
20 ing given in subsection (r)(3) of section 1079 of title
21 10, United States Code.

22 (3)(A) The term “eligible participant” means—

23 (i) any member of the Armed Forces; and

24 (ii) any covered beneficiary who has at-
25 tained age 20.

1 (B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), the
2 term “eligible participant” shall not include any in-
3 dividual who—

4 (i) is not eligible for hospital insurance
5 benefits under part A of title XVIII of the So-
6 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395c et seq.); or

7 (ii) is exempted under section 1086(a) of
8 title 10, United States Code

