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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide readjustment counseling and related services at Vet Centers and through the use of clinical outreach staff of the Department to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces during weekend drill.

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- 1 At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following:
- 2 **SEC. _____ . READJUSTMENT COUNSELING AND RELATED**
- 3 **SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF VET-**
- 4 **ERANS AFFAIRS FOR MEMBERS OF THE RE-**
- 5 **SERVE COMPONENTS OF THE ARMED**
- 6 **FORCES DURING WEEKEND DRILL.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs
8 shall, through the Readjustment Counseling Service of the

1 Department of Veterans Affairs, provide readjustment
2 counseling and related services at Vet Centers (including
3 mobile Vet Centers) and through the use of clinical out-
4 reach staff of the Department to members of the reserve
5 components of the Armed Forces during weekend drill.

6 (b) ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES.—A member of a re-
7 serve component of the Armed Forces is eligible for serv-
8 ices under subsection (a) regardless of whether the mem-
9 ber is eligible for any other care or services under the laws
10 administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

11 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) VET CENTER.—The term “Vet Center”
13 means a center for readjustment counseling and re-
14 lated mental health services for veterans under sec-
15 tion 1712A of title 38, United States Code.

16 (2) WEEKEND DRILL.—The term “weekend
17 drill” means drill or a period of equivalent instruc-
18 tion required of members of the reserve components
19 of the Armed Forces, including drill and instruction
20 required of members of the National Guard under
21 section 502(a)(1) of title 32, United States Code.