

119TH CONGRESS
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BLUMENTHAL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Presumptive Clear
5 Legal Assessment and Review of Illnesses from Toxic Ex-

1 posure Yields Act of 2025” or the “CLARITY Act of
2 2025”.

3 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY IN PROCESS**
4 **OF DETERMINATIONS RELATING TO PRE-**
5 **SUMPTIONS OF SERVICE CONNECTION RE-**
6 **GARDING TOXIC EXPOSURE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter I of chapter 11 of title
8 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
9 the following new section:

10 **“§ 1105. Public transparency regarding presumptions**
11 **of service connection regarding toxic ex-**
12 **posure**

13 “(a) PUBLICATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary shall
14 establish and maintain on a publicly accessible website of
15 the Department a list of conditions and cohorts that the
16 Department is considering for purposes of establishing or
17 removing a presumption of service connection based on
18 toxic exposure.

19 “(b) CONTENTS.—Publication under subsection (a)
20 shall include the following:

21 “(1) An overview of the process for the estab-
22 lishment or removal described in subsection (a), in-
23 cluding the steps and goals for time of completion
24 for each step.

1 “(2) For each condition and cohort for which
2 the Department is considering establishing or remov-
3 ing as described in subsection (a), the following:

4 “(A) The status of the condition or cohort
5 in the process being carried out by the Depart-
6 ment for such establishment or removal.

7 “(B) The actions taken by the Department
8 regarding notice and opportunity for public
9 comment on the establishment or removal, in-
10 cluding instructions on how the public can sub-
11 mit comments and recommendations.”.

12 (b) COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLICATION.—The Sec-
13 retary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that publication re-
14 quired by section 1105 of such title, as added by sub-
15 section (a), commences on or before the date that is 180
16 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
18 at the beginning of chapter 11 of such title is amended
19 by inserting after the item relating to section 1104 the
20 following new item:

 “1105. Public transparency regarding presumptions regarding toxic exposure.”.