

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 705
OFFERED BY MS. Brownley

Add at the end of the bill the following:

1 **SEC. 3. STUDY ON MENTAL HEALTH OF VETERANS WITH**
2 **APPOINTED FIDUCIARIES.**

3 (a) **STUDY REQUIRED.**—Beginning not later than
4 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
5 Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in coordination with the As-
6 sistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Men-
7 tal Health and Substance Use, shall carry out a study on
8 the long-term mental health outcomes and the prevalence
9 of suicidal ideation and identification as “dangerous”
10 among the population of veterans for whom benefits under
11 the laws administered by the Secretary are paid to a fidu-
12 ciary for the use and benefit of the veteran.

13 (b) **REPORT TO CONGRESS.**—Not later than two
14 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
15 retary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs
16 of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on
17 the results of the study required under subsection (a).

18 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Section 5501B of title 38,
19 United States Code, as added by section 2, shall not take
20 effect before the date on which the Committees on Vet-

1 erans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives

2 receive the report under subsection (b).

