

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 1041  
OFFERED BY M<sup>S</sup>. Brownley**

Add at the end of the bill the following:

**1 SEC. 5. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS STUDY ON  
2 MENTAL HEALTH OF VETERANS WITH AP-  
3 POINTED FIDUCIARIES.**

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

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

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Sections 5501B, 5501C, and  
2 5501D of title 38, United States Code, as added by sec-  
3 tions 2, 3, and 4, respectively, shall not take effect before  
4 the date on which the Committees on Veterans' Affairs  
5 of the Senate and House of Representatives receive the  
6 report under subsection (b).

