

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5674
OFFERED BY MR. WALZ

At the appropriate place, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. ____ . ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY OR**
2 **ADOPTION REIMBURSEMENTS FOR CERTAIN**
3 **DISABLED VETERANS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 17 of title 38, United
5 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1720I
6 the following new section:

7 **“§ 1720J. Provision of assisted reproductive tech-**
8 **nology or adoption reimbursements for**
9 **certain disabled veterans**

10 “(a) PROVISION OF SERVICES.—Using amounts ap-
11 propriated or otherwise made available to the Department
12 of Veterans Affairs for the Medical Services account of
13 the Department, the Secretary may provide—

14 “(1) fertility counseling and treatment using as-
15 sisted reproductive technology to a covered veteran
16 or the spouse of a covered veteran; or

17 “(2) adoption reimbursement to a covered vet-
18 eran.

1 “(b) LIMITATIONS.—Amounts made available for the
2 purposes specified in subsection (a) are subject to the re-
3 quirements for funds contained in section 508 of division
4 H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Public
5 Law 115–31).

6 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 “(1) The term ‘adoption reimbursement’ means
8 reimbursement for the adoption-related expenses for
9 an adoption that is finalized after the date of the en-
10 actment of this section under the same terms as
11 apply under the adoption reimbursement program of
12 the Department of Defense, as authorized in De-
13 partment of Defense Instruction 1341.09, including
14 the reimbursement limits and requirements set forth
15 in such instruction, as in effect on the date of the
16 enactment of this section.

17 “(2) The term ‘assisted reproductive tech-
18 nology’ means benefits relating to reproductive as-
19 sistance provided to a member of the Armed Forces
20 who incurs a serious injury or illness on active duty
21 pursuant to section 1074(c)(4)(A) of title 10, as de-
22 scribed in the memorandum on the subject of ‘Policy
23 for Assisted Reproductive Services for the Benefit of
24 Seriously or Severely Ill/Injured (Category II or III)
25 Active Duty Service Members’ issued by the Assist-

1 ant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs on April
2 3, 2012, and the guidance issued to implement such
3 policy as in effect on the date of the enactment of
4 this section, including any limitations on the amount
5 of such benefits available to such a member.

6 “(4) The term ‘covered veteran’ means a vet-
7 eran who has a service-connected disability that re-
8 sults in the inability of the veteran to procreate
9 without the use of fertility treatment.
10 ”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
13 after the item relating to section 1720I the following new
14 item:

“1720J. Provision of assisted reproductive technology or adoption reimburse-
ments for certain disabled veterans.”.

