

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5674
OFFERED BY MS. BROWNLEY OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 512. COUNSELING IN RETREAT SETTINGS FOR WOMEN**
2 **VETERANS NEWLY SEPARATED FROM SERV-**
3 **ICE IN THE ARMED FORCES.**

4 (a) PERMANENT PROGRAM.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 17 of title 38,
6 United States Code, is amended by inserting after
7 section 1712C the following new section:

8 **“§ 1712D. Counseling in retreat settings for women**
9 **veterans newly separated**

10 “(a) PROGRAM.—(1) Commencing on January 1,
11 2019, the Secretary shall carry out, through the Readjust-
12 ment Counseling Service of the Veterans Health Adminis-
13 tration, a program to provide reintegration and readjust-
14 ment services described in subsection (b) in group retreat
15 settings to women veterans who are recently separated
16 from service in the Armed Forces after a prolonged de-
17 ployment.

18 “(2) The participation of a veteran in the program
19 under paragraph (1) shall be at the election of the veteran.

1 “(b) COVERED SERVICES.—The services provided to
2 a woman veteran under the program under subsection
3 (a)(1) shall include the following:

4 “(1) Information on reintegration into the fam-
5 ily, employment, and community of the veteran.

6 “(2) Financial counseling.

7 “(3) Occupational counseling.

8 “(4) Information and counseling on stress re-
9 duction.

10 “(5) Information and counseling on conflict res-
11 olution.

12 “(6) Such other information and counseling as
13 the Secretary considers appropriate to assist the vet-
14 eran in reintegration into the family, employment,
15 and community of the veteran.

16 “(c) BIENNIAL REPORTS.—Not later than December
17 31, 2019, and each odd-numbered year thereafter, the
18 Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans’ Af-
19 fairs of the House of Representatives and the Senate a
20 report on the program under subsection (a)(1).”.

21 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
22 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
23 by inserting after the item relating to section 1712C
24 the following new item:

“1712D. Counseling in retreat settings for women veterans newly separated.”.

1 (b) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Effective December 31,
2 2018, section 203 of the Caregivers and Veterans Omni-
3 bus Health Services Act of 2010 (38 U.S.C. 1712A note)
4 is repealed.

