

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2942

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out the Women’s Health Transition Training pilot program through at least fiscal year 2020, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 23, 2019

Mr. CISNEROS (for himself and Ms. HOULAHAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. ENCOURAGEMENT OF PARTICIPATION IN WOM-**
4 **EN’S HEALTH TRANSITION TRAINING PILOT**
5 **PROGRAM.**

6 (a) DURATION.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs
7 shall carry out the Women’s Health Transition Training

1 pilot program (in this section referred to as the “pilot pro-
2 gram”) until at least September 30, 2020.

3 (b) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2020,
4 the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans
5 Affairs shall jointly submit to the appropriate congres-
6 sional committees a report on the pilot program that in-
7 cludes the following:

8 (1) For the period since the commencement of
9 the pilot program—

10 (A) the number of women members by
11 military department (with respect to Depart-
12 ment of the Navy, separately for the Navy and
13 Marine Corps) who participated in the pilot
14 program;

15 (B) the number of courses held under the
16 pilot program; and

17 (C) the locations at which such courses
18 were held, and the number of seats available
19 and the number of participants at each such lo-
20 cation.

21 (2) With respect to the number of members
22 who participated in the pilot program as specified
23 under paragraph (1)—

1 (A) the number who enrolled in the health
2 care system established under section 1705(a)
3 of title 38, United States Code; and

4 (B) the number who attended at least one
5 health care appointment at a medical facility of
6 the Department of Veterans Affairs.

7 (3) Data relating to—

8 (A) satisfaction with courses held under
9 the pilot program;

10 (B) improved awareness of health care
11 services administered by the Secretary of Vet-
12 erans Affairs; and

13 (C) any other available statistics regarding
14 the pilot program.

15 (4) A discussion of regulatory, legal, or resource
16 barriers to—

17 (A) making the pilot program permanent
18 to enable access by a greater number of women
19 members at locations throughout the United
20 States;

21 (B) offering the pilot program online for
22 women members who are unable to attend
23 courses held under the pilot program in person;
24 and

1 (C) the feasibility of automatically enroll-
2 ing pilot program participants in the health
3 care system established under section 1705(a)
4 of title 38, United States Code.

5 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
6 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
7 sional committees” means the Committees on Veterans’
8 Affairs and the Committees on Armed Services of the
9 House of Representatives and the Senate.

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