

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3693

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reimbursement of continuing professional education expenses for health care professionals of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2021

Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself and Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Department of Vet-
5 erans Affairs Continuing Professional Education Mod-
6 ernization Act” or the “VA CPE Modernization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENT TO REIMBURSEMENT OF CON-**
2 **TINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION EX-**
3 **PENSES FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**
4 **OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

5 (a) REIMBURSEMENT.—Section 7411 of title 38,
6 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 **“§ 7411. Reimbursement of continuing professional**
8 **education expenses**

9 “(a) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary shall reim-
10 burse a full-time health care professional of the Depart-
11 ment for expenses incurred for continuing professional
12 education in amounts as follows:

13 “(1) With respect to a physician or dentist ap-
14 pointed under section 7401(1) of this title, not more
15 than \$4,000 per year.

16 “(2) With respect to an individual appointed to
17 a position listed in section 7401(1) that is not cov-
18 ered by paragraph (1), not more than \$2,000 per
19 year.

20 “(3) With respect to an individual appointed to
21 a position listed in section 7401(3), not more than
22 \$2,000 per year.

23 “(b) ADJUSTMENT.—The Secretary may from time
24 to time adjust the dollar amounts specified in subsection
25 (a) based upon inflation.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
2 at the beginning of chapter 74 of such title is amended
3 by striking the item relating to section 7411 and inserting
4 the following new item:

“7411. Reimbursement of continuing professional education expenses.”.

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