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H. R. 7003

To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit discrimination and acts of reprisal against persons who receive treatment for illnesses, injuries, and disabilities incurred in or aggravated by service in the uniformed services.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2008

Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. EDWARDS of Texas, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. REYES, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY) 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 “Wounded Veteran Job
5 Security Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PERSONS WHO RECEIVE**
2 **TREATMENT FOR ILLNESSES, INJURIES, AND**
3 **DISABILITIES INCURRED IN OR AGGRAVATED**
4 **BY SERVICE IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**
5 **AND ACTS OF REPRISAL PROHIBITED.**

6 (a) PROHIBITION OF DISCRIMINATION AND ACTS OF
7 REPRISAL.—Section 4311 of title 38, United States Code,
8 is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) by inserting after “uniformed service”
11 the following: “, or who has an illness, injury,
12 or disability determined by the Secretary of
13 Veterans Affairs to have been incurred in or ag-
14 gravated by such service,”; and

15 (B) by striking “or obligation” and insert-
16 ing “obligation, or receipt of treatment for that
17 illness, injury, or disability”; and

18 (2) in subsection (c)—

19 (A) by striking “or obligation for service”
20 the first time it appears and inserting “obliga-
21 tion for service, or receipt of treatment for an
22 illness, injury, or disability incurred in or ag-
23 gravated by service” and

24 (B) by striking “or obligation for service”
25 the second time it appears and inserting “obli-
26 gation for service, or receipt of treatment”.

1 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to treatment re-
3 ceived on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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