

In the Senate of the United States,

October 10, 2013.

Resolved, That the resolution from the House of Representatives (H. Con. Res. 58) entitled “Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the need for the continued availability of religious services to members of the Armed Forces and their families during a lapse in appropriations.”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

1 **(1)**Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas the Department of Defense determined that some contractor clergy, like other Department of Defense contractors, were unable to perform their contractual duties during the current lapse in appropriations;

Whereas this determination may have impacted the ability of members of the Armed Forces and their families to worship and participate in religious activities;

Whereas military chaplains on active duty, like all military personnel on active duty, continue to perform their duties during the current lapse in appropriations;

Whereas the Department continues to analyze its authorities under the Pay Our Military Act (Public Law 113–39) with respect to contractors; and

Whereas the Pay Our Military Act appropriates such sums as are necessary to pay contractors of the Department whom the Secretary of Defense determines are providing support to members of the Armed Forces: Now, therefore, be it

1 **(2)**On page 2, strike line 3 and all that follows through
2 page 3, line 2, and insert the following:

3 *(1) finds that the provision and availability of*
4 *religious services and clergy is important to the mo-*
5 *rale and wellbeing of many members of the Armed*
6 *Forces and their families; and*

7 *(2) hopes the Secretary of Defense is able to de-*
8 *termine that contractor clergy provide necessary sup-*
9 *port to military personnel, and would therefore be*
10 *covered under the appropriations made available*
11 *under the Pay Our Military Act (Public Law 113–*
12 *39).*

Attest:

Secretary.

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