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# H. R. 4289

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 2, 2025

Mr. VASQUEZ (for himself and Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## 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 “TRICARE Travel Im-  
5 provement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REIMBURSEMENT BY THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE**  
2 **FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATING TO SPE-**  
3 **CIALTY CARE.**

4 Section 1074i of title 10, United States Code, is  
5 amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) by striking “In any case” and insert-  
8 ing “Except as provided in subsection (b), in  
9 any case”; and

10 (B) by striking “100 miles” and inserting  
11 “50 miles”; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) by striking the heading and inserting  
14 “SPECIAL RULES FOR EXCEPTIONAL CIR-  
15 CUMSTANCES AND MILITARY RETIREES AND  
16 DEPENDENTS.—”;

17 (B) by striking “The Secretary of De-  
18 fense” and inserting “(1) The Secretary of De-  
19 fense”; and

20 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1), as  
21 designated by subparagraph (B) of this para-  
22 graph, the following new paragraph:

23 “(2) With respect to military retirees and their  
24 dependents, the Secretary shall administer sub-

- 1 section (a) by substituting ‘50 miles’ for ‘100
- 2 miles’.”.

