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H. R. 6652

To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish certain health services to veterans in the Freely Associated States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2025

Mrs. KING-HINDS (for herself, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. MOYLAN, Mr. CASE, and Ms. TOKUDA) 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 “U.S. Vets of the FAS
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO FURNISH CERTAIN HEALTH**
2 **SERVICES TO VETERANS IN THE FREELY AS-**
3 **SOCIATED STATES.**

4 (a) AGREEMENTS REQUIRED.—Consistent with sec-
5 tion 1724(f) of title 38, United States Code, and section
6 209(a)(4)(A) of the Compact of Free Association Amend-
7 ments Act of 2024 (48 U.S.C. 1988(a)(4)(A)), the Sec-
8 retary of Veterans Affairs shall work expeditiously with
9 the governments of the Freely Associated States to enter
10 into the agreements described in such sections.

11 (b) INCLUSION OF TELEHEALTH AND MAIL ORDER
12 PHARMACY SERVICES REQUIRED.—Consistent with such
13 sections and with the agreements required by subsection
14 (a), the Secretary shall furnish to veterans in the Freely
15 Associated States services that include, at a minimum—

- 16 (1) health services provided by telehealth; and
17 (2) pharmaceutical products delivered by mail.

18 (c) IMPLEMENTATION DATES.—In carrying out sub-
19 sections (a) and (b), the Secretary shall, to the maximum
20 extent practicable—

- 21 (1) initiate outreach to each such government
22 not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-
23 ment of this Act;

- 24 (2) enter into each agreement required by sub-
25 section (a) not later than one year after the date of
26 the enactment of this Act; and

1 (3) begin furnishing the services required by
2 paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b) not later
3 than one year after the date of the enactment of this
4 Act.

5 (d) PAYMENTS FOR BENEFICIARY TRAVEL RE-
6 QUIRED.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 111(h)(1) of title
8 38, United States Code, is amended—

9 (A) by striking “Notwithstanding any
10 other provision of law, the Secretary may make
11 payments” and inserting “Notwithstanding any
12 other provision of law:

13 “(A) The Secretary may make payments”; and

14 (B) by adding at the end the following new
15 subparagraph:

16 “(B) If, with respect to any fiscal year, the Sec-
17 retary exercises the authority under this section to
18 make any payments, the Secretary shall make the
19 payments provided for in subparagraph (A).”.

20 (2) APPLICABILITY.—Subparagraph (B) of
21 such section 111(h)(1) shall apply to travel occur-
22 ring on or after the date that is one year after the
23 date of the enactment of this Act.

24 (e) REPORTS.—Not less frequently than quarterly,
25 the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate committees

1 of Congress a report on the implementation of this section
2 and the cost of such implementation. Until the Secretary
3 has entered into the agreements required by subsection (a)
4 and begun furnishing the services required by paragraphs
5 (1) and (2) of subsection (b), the report shall also describe
6 the technical and logistical factors that have prevented or
7 impeded the Secretary from doing so.

8 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-
10 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
11 gress” means—

12 (A) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs
13 and the Committee on Appropriations of the
14 Senate; and

15 (B) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs
16 and the Committee on Appropriations of the
17 House of Representatives.

18 (2) FREELY ASSOCIATED STATES.—The term
19 “Freely Associated States” has the meaning given
20 such term in section 1724(f) of title 38, United
21 States Code.

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