

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9863

To direct the Director of the Defense Health Agency to submit to Congress a report on the feasibility of establishing a pilot program that establishes a behavioral neurology fellowship program to provide training opportunities with respect to treating members of the Armed Forces and veterans with traumatic brain injuries.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2026

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself and Mr. LUTTRELL) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF PILOT PROGRAM**
4 **ON BEHAVIORAL NEUROLOGY FELLOWSHIPS.**

5 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
6 of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Defense

1 Health Agency shall submit to the congressional defense
2 committees (as defined in section 101(a)(16) of title 10,
3 United States Code) a report on the feasibility of estab-
4 lishing a pilot program that establishes a behavioral neu-
5 rology fellowship program to provide training opportuni-
6 ties with respect to treating members of the Armed Forces
7 and veterans with traumatic brain injuries, particularly re-
8 garding the intersection of behavior and traumatic brain
9 injury.

10 (b) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The report on the poten-
11 tial pilot program under subsection (a) shall include the
12 following:

13 (1) The feasibility of the pilot program meeting
14 the requirements described in subsection (c).

15 (2) An evaluation of potential locations at
16 which to carry out the pilot program.

17 (c) REQUIREMENTS DESCRIBED.—The requirements
18 described in this subsection are the following:

19 (1) The pilot program would include two indi-
20 viduals selected for a 1-year clinical fellowship pro-
21 gram under the pilot program.

22 (2) An individual may hold a fellowship under
23 the pilot program if the individual—

24 (A) holds a Doctor of Medicine or Doctor
25 of Osteopathy from any medical school accred-

1 ited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Edu-
2 cation; and

3 (B) before participating in the fellowship
4 program, has completed a residency program in
5 neurology or psychiatry at an institution ac-
6 credited by the Accreditation Council for Grad-
7 uate Medical Education.

8 (3) An individual would not be required to be
9 board certified to hold a fellowship under the pilot
10 program.

11 (4) The pilot program would be carried out in
12 a manner that seeks to allow an individual, upon
13 completion of the fellowship program, to sit for
14 board certification in behavioral neurology and
15 neuropsychiatry offered by the United Council for
16 Neurologic Subspecialties.

17 (5) The fellowship program would be accred-
18 ited.

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