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S. 1650

To amend title 38, United States Code, to modify authorities relating to the collective bargaining of employees in the Veterans Health Administration.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 7, 2025

Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mrs. MURRAY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “VA Employee Fairness
5 Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITIES ON COLLECTIVE**
2 **BARGAINING OF EMPLOYEES OF THE VET-**
3 **ERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7422 of title 38, United
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) by striking subsections (b), (c), and (d); and
7 (2) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-
8 section (b).

9 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The amendments
10 made by subsection (a) may not be construed to affect
11 the authorities of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs re-
12 garding incentive pay and expedited hiring under section
13 706 of title 38, United States Code, or other similar provi-
14 sions of law.

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