

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2255

To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of a Chief of the Veterinary Corps of the Army in the grade of brigadier general, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 20, 2001

Mr. GIBBONS (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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. VETERINARY CORPS OF THE ARMY.**
4 (a) COMPOSITION AND ADMINISTRATION.—(1) Chap-
5 ter 307 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
6 inserting after section 3070 the following new section:

1 **§ 3071. Veterinary Corps: composition; Chief and as-**
2 **sistant chief; appointment; grade**

3 “(a) The Veterinary Corps of the Army consists of
4 the Chief and assistant chief of that corps and other offi-
5 cers in grades prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

6 “(b) The Secretary of the Army shall appoint the
7 Chief from the officers of the Regular Army in that corps
8 whose regular grade is above lieutenant colonel and who
9 are recommended by the Surgeon General. An appointee
10 who holds a lower regular grade shall be appointed in the
11 regular grade of brigadier general. The Chief serves dur-
12 ing the pleasure of the Secretary, but not for more than
13 four years, and may not be reappointed to the same posi-
14 tion.

15 “(c) The Surgeon General shall appoint the assistant
16 chief from the officers of the Regular Army in that corps
17 whose regular grade is above lieutenant colonel. The as-
18 sistant chief serves during the pleasure of the Surgeon
19 General, but not for more than four years and may not
20 be reappointed to the same position.”.

21 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such
22 chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating
23 to section 3070 the following new item:

“3071. Veterinary Corps: composition; Chief and assistant chief; appointment;
grade.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 3071 of title 10,
2 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take
3 effect on October 1, 2001.

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