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# H. R. 2587

To amend title 10, United States Code, to establish a combat badge for helicopter medical evacuation ambulance (Medevac) pilots and crews.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOLDEN (for himself, Mr. BOYD, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. REYES, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. FROST, Mr. UPTON, Mr. SIMMONS, and Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

To amend title 10, United States Code, to establish a combat badge for helicopter medical evacuation ambulance (Medevac) pilots and crews.

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. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMBAT MEDEVAC**  
4 **BADGE.**

5 (a) ARMY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 357 of title 10,  
7 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
8 end the following new section:

1 **“§ 3757. Combat Medevac Badge**

2 “(a) The Secretary of the Army shall issue a badge  
3 of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat  
4 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of  
5 the Army served in combat on or after June 25, 1950,  
6 as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacu-  
7 ation ambulance and who meets the requirements for the  
8 award of that badge.

9 “(b) The Secretary of the Army shall prescribe re-  
10 quirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac  
11 Badge.”.

12 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
13 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended  
14 by adding at the end the following new item:

“3757. Combat Medevac Badge.”.

15 (b) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 567 of title 10,  
17 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
18 end the following new section:

19 **“§ 6259. Combat Medevac Badge**

20 “(a) The Secretary of the Navy shall issue a badge  
21 of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat  
22 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of  
23 the Navy or Marine Corps served in combat on or after  
24 June 25, 1950, as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter

1 medical evacuation ambulance and who meets the require-  
2 ments for the award of that badge.

3 “(b) The Secretary of the Navy shall prescribe re-  
4 quirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac  
5 Badge.”.

6 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
7 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended  
8 by adding at the end the following new item:

“6259. Combat Medevac Badge.”.

9 (c) AIR FORCE.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 857 of title 10,  
11 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
12 end the following new section:

13 **“§ 8757. Combat Medevac Badge**

14 “(a) The Secretary of the Air Force shall issue a  
15 badge of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat  
16 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of  
17 the Air Force served in combat on or after June 25, 1950,  
18 as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacu-  
19 ation ambulance and who meets the requirements for the  
20 award of that badge.

21 “(b) The Secretary of the Air Force shall prescribe  
22 requirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac  
23 Badge.”.

1           (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
2           tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended  
3           by adding at the end the following new item:

“8757. Combat Medevac Badge.”.

4           (d) AWARD FOR SERVICE BEFORE DATE OF ENACT-  
5           MENT.—In the case of persons who, while a member of  
6           the Armed Forces, served in combat as a pilot or crew  
7           member of a helicopter medical evacuation ambulance dur-  
8           ing the period beginning on June 25, 1950, and ending  
9           on the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
10          military department concerned shall issue the Combat  
11          Medevac Badge—

12           (1) to each such person who is known to the  
13          Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act;  
14          and

15           (2) to each such person with respect to whom  
16          an application for the issuance of the badge is made  
17          to the Secretary after such date in such manner,  
18          and within such time period, as the Secretary may  
19          require.

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