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H. R. 3615

To authorize the Secretary of Defense to reimburse members of the Armed Forces for the cost of protective body armor purchased by or on behalf of the member.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 21, 2003

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut 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. REIMBURSEMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE**
4 **ARMED FORCES FOR PURCHASE OF PROTEC-**
5 **TIVE BODY ARMOR.**

6 (a) REIMBURSEMENT AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary
7 of Defense may reimburse a member of the Armed Forces
8 for the cost of protective body armor purchased by the
9 member, or by another person on behalf of the member,

1 for use by the member while deployed in connection with
2 Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, or
3 Operation Iraqi Freedom if the member was so deployed
4 and was not issued protective body armor before such de-
5 ployment.

6 (b) DURATION OF AUTHORITY.—Reimbursement
7 may be provided under subsection (a) for protective body
8 armor purchased during the period beginning on Sep-
9 tember 11, 2001, and ending on December 31, 2003. Not
10 later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this
11 Act, the Secretary shall implement regulations to expedite
12 the provision of such reimbursement.

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