109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2619

To waive copayments and deductibles for military personnel who qualify for TRICARE and use other health insurance as their primary form of coverage.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 25, 2005

Mr. Andrews 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "TRICARE Equity
- 5 Act".

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1	SEC. 2. WAIVER OF COPAYMENTS AND DEDUCTIBLES FOR
2	CERTAIN MEMBERS OF UNIFORMED SERV-
3	ICES.
4	(a) In General.—Any member or former member
5	of a uniformed service, or dependent of such a member,
6	who is eligible for health benefits under the TRICARE
7	program under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code,
8	and who has another insurance plan or program that pro-
9	vides primary coverage for health benefits shall not be re-
10	quired to pay any copayment or annual deductible under
11	the TRICARE program.
12	(b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall
13	prescribe regulations to carry out subsection (a).
14	(c) Effective Date.—Subsection (a) shall apply

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15 with respect to health benefits provided after the date of

16 the enactment of this Act.