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2D SESSION

# H. R. 2790

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 21, 2008

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## AN ACT

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physician Assistant Services within the office of the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PHYSICIAN**2 **ASSISTANT SERVICES AT VETERANS HEALTH**  
3 **ADMINISTRATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VET-**  
4 **ERANS AFFAIRS.**5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 7306(a) of title 38,  
6 United States Code, is amended by striking paragraph (9)  
7 and inserting the following:8 “(9) **The Director of Physician Assistant Serv-**  
9 **ices, who shall be a qualified physician assistant who**  
10 **shall report to the Under Secretary for Health on all**  
11 **matters relating to the education and training, em-**  
12 **ployment, appropriate utilization, and optimal par-**  
13 **ticipation of physician assistants within the pro-**  
14 **grams and initiatives of the Administration. The Di-**  
15 **rector of Physician Assistant Services shall serve in**  
16 **a full-time capacity at the Central Office of the De-**  
17 **partment.”.**18 (b) **DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.**—The Sec-  
19 **retary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that an individual**  
20 **is serving as the Director of Physician Assistant Services**  
21 **under section 7306(a)(9) of title 38, United States Code,**

- 1 as added by subsection (a), by not later than 120 days
- 2 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives May 20, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,

*Clerk.*