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S. 1719

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 27, 2007

Mr. BROWN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE UNDER MONT-**
 2 **GOMERY GI BILL FOR VETERANS PURSUING**
 3 **A DEGREE IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGI-**
 4 **NEERING, OR MATH.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 30 of
 6 title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the
 7 end the following new section:

8 **“§ 3020A. Additional educational assistance for vet-**
 9 **erans pursuing a degree in science, tech-**
 10 **nology, engineering, or math**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall pay to each
 12 individual entitled to basic educational assistance under
 13 this subchapter who is pursuing a program of education
 14 described in subsection (b) an amount equal to \$2,000 per
 15 academic year, or fraction thereof for enrollment lasting
 16 less than one academic year. Amounts payable to an indi-
 17 vidual under this section are in addition to any other
 18 amounts payable to such individual under this subchapter.

19 “(b) COVERED PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION.—A pro-
 20 gram of education described in this subsection is a pro-
 21 gram of education with a focus (as determined in accord-
 22 ance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary for pur-
 23 poses of this section) on science, technology, engineering,
 24 or math.

25 “(c) FREQUENCY OF PAYMENT.—Payment of the
 26 amount payable under subsection (a) shall be made in a

1 lump-sum amount for the entire quarter, semester, or
2 term, as applicable, of the program of education at the
3 start of the commencement of such quarter, semester, or
4 term.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
6 at the beginning of chapter 30 of such title is amended
7 by inserting after the item relating to section 3020 the
8 following new item:

“3020A. Additional educational assistance for veterans pursuing a degree in
science, technology, engineering, or math.”.

