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S. 2993

To amend the Public Health Service Act to facilitate emergency medical services personnel training and certification curriculums for military veterans.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 8, 2008

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. DURBIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Veterans to Para-
5 medics Transition Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PER-**
7 **SONNEL TRAINING FOR VETERANS.**

8 Section 330J of the Public Health Service Act (42
9 U.S.C. 254c–15) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)(1)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or”
3 at the end;

4 (B) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as
5 subparagraph (G); and

6 (C) by inserting after subparagraph (E),
7 the following:

8 “(F) an entity providing training for emer-
9 gency medical services personnel, including in-
10 stitutions of higher education, technical col-
11 leges, community colleges, and other State-cer-
12 tified training entities; or”; and

13 (2) in subsection (c)—

14 (A) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” at
15 the end;

16 (B) in paragraph (8), by striking the pe-
17 riod and inserting “; and”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(9) provide to military veterans required
20 coursework and training that take into account, and
21 are not duplicative of, previous medical coursework
22 and training received when such veterans were active
23 members of the Armed Forces, to enable such vet-
24 erans to satisfy emergency medical services per-

- 1 sonnel certification requirements, as determined by
- 2 the appropriate State regulatory entity.”.

