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H. R. 2559

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a national media campaign directed at homeless veterans and veterans at risk for becoming homeless.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 2009

Mr. HARE (for himself, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HALL of New York, Mrs. HALVORSON, Mr. NYE, Mr. TEAGUE, and Mr. ROONEY) introduced the following bill; which was 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Help Our Homeless
5 Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN DIRECTED AT HOME-**
2 **LESS VETERANS.**

3 (a) NATIONAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN.—Under the au-
4 thority of section 532 of title 38, United States Code, the
5 Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall carry out a national
6 media campaign targeted at veterans who are homeless or
7 who are at risk of becoming homeless, with special empha-
8 sis on such veterans who are women. Through the media
9 campaign, the Secretary shall seek to inform such veterans
10 of—

11 (1) their rights and benefits under the laws ad-
12 ministered by the Secretary; and

13 (2) where to turn for help if they are already
14 homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless.

15 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
16 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
17 necessary to carry out this section.

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