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To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to jointly conduct a study on the incidence of breast cancer among members of the Armed Forces and veterans.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### October 26, 2009

Mr. BOSWELL (for himself, Mr. WALZ, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mrs. DAHLKEMPER, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, and Mr. LOEBSACK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

# A BILL

- To direct the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to jointly conduct a study on the incidence of breast cancer among members of the Armed Forces and veterans.
  - 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 "Armed Forces Breast
- 5 Cancer Research Act".

1	SEC. 2. STUDY ON BREAST CANCER AMONG MEMBERS OF
2	THE ARMED FORCES AND VETERANS.
3	(a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Defense and the Sec-
4	retary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly conduct a study
5	on the incidence of breast cancer among members of the
6	Armed Forces (including members of the National Guard
7	and Reserve components) and veterans. Such study shall
8	include the following:
9	(1) A determination of the number of the mem-
10	bers and veterans diagnosed with breast cancer.
11	(2) A determination of demographic informa-
12	tion regarding such members and veterans, includ-
13	ing—
14	(A) race;
15	(B) ethnicity;
16	(C) sex;
17	(D) age;
18	(E) possible exposure to hazardous ele-
19	ments or chemical or biological agents (includ-
20	ing any vaccines) and where such exposure oc-
21	curred;
22	(F) the locations of duty stations that such
23	member or veteran was assigned;
24	(G) the locations in which such member or
25	veteran was deployed; and

(H) the geographic area of residence prior 1 2 to deployment. 3 (3) An analysis of breast cancer treatments received by such members and veterans. 4 (4) Other information the Secretaries consider 5 6 necessary. 7 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense 8 and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly submit 9 to Congress a report containing the results of the study 10 11 required under subsection (a).

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