

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5259

To amend title 10, United States Code, to require preseparation counseling for members of the reserve components upon their retirement or separation from service.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 11, 2010

Ms. PINGREE of Maine introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Equal Access to
5 Preseparation Counseling Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PRESEPARATION COUNSELING FOR MEMBERS OF**
2 **THE RESERVE COMPONENTS.**

3 (a) REQUIREMENT; EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a)(1)
4 of section 1142 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
5 ed—

6 (1) in the first sentence—

7 (A) by striking “Within” and inserting
8 “(A) Within”; and

9 (B) by striking “of each member” and all
10 that follows through the period at the end of
11 the sentence and inserting the following: “of—
12 “(i) each member of the armed forces whose
13 discharge or release from active duty is anticipated
14 as of a specific date; and

15 “(ii) each member of a reserve component not
16 covered by clause (i) whose discharge or release from
17 service is anticipated as of a specific date.”; and

18 (2) in the second sentence, by striking “A nota-
19 tion of the provision of such counseling” and insert-
20 ing the following:

21 “(B) A notation of the provision of preseparation
22 counseling”.

23 (b) CLARIFICATION OF COVERED MATTERS.—Sub-
24 section (b)(7) of such section is amended by striking
25 “from active duty”.