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H. R. 5641

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 30, 2010

Mr. BUYER 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 “Heroes at Home Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS CONTRACT AU-**
2 **THORITY FOR TRANSFER OF VETERANS NON-**
3 **DEPARTMENT ADULT FOSTER HOMES.**

4 Section 1720 of title 38, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 section:

7 “(h)(1) At the request of a veteran who is eligible
8 to be transferred to a non-Department nursing home
9 under this section, the Secretary may transfer the veteran
10 to an adult foster home that meets Department standards
11 at the expense of the United States pursuant to a contract
12 entered into between the Secretary and the adult foster
13 home for such purpose. A veteran who is transferred to
14 an adult foster home under this subsection shall agree,
15 as a condition of such transfer, to accept home health
16 services furnished by the Secretary under section 1717 of
17 this title.

18 “(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘adult
19 foster home’ means a home designed to provide non-insti-
20 tutional, long-term, supportive care for veterans who are
21 unable to live independently and prefer a family setting.”.

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