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# H. R. 5867

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NYE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## 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 “Military Personnel  
5 Readiness Act of 2010”.

1 **SEC. 2. HOV FACILITIES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 166(b) of title 23, United  
3 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
4 lowing:

5 “(6) VEHICLES OPERATED BY MEMBERS OF  
6 THE ARMED FORCES, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS,  
7 AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL.—

8 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A State agency may  
9 allow a vehicle to use the HOV facility if the ve-  
10 hicle is operated by an individual who is—

11 “(i) a member of the Armed Forces  
12 serving on active duty;

13 “(ii) a law enforcement officer; or

14 “(iii) serving in a position as emer-  
15 gency response personnel.

16 “(B) IMPLEMENTATION.—A State may  
17 take such actions as may be necessary to carry  
18 out the exception set forth in this paragraph,  
19 including establishing eligibility requirements  
20 for vehicle operators and providing for the  
21 badging of vehicles.”.

22 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 166(b)(1)  
23 of such title is amended by striking “(5)” and inserting  
24 “(6)”.

1 **SEC. 3. EFFECTS OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON MILITARY**  
2 **READINESS.**

3 (a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General shall conduct  
4 a study on the effects of traffic congestion on military  
5 readiness in metropolitan areas with a high concentration  
6 of military personnel.

7 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after the date  
8 of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall  
9 transmit to Congress a report on the results of the study.

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