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H. R. 4051

To direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 16, 2012

Mr. Stutzman introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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

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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 "TAP Modernization
- 5 Act of 2012".
- 6 SEC. 2. OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAINING.
- 7 (a) Provision of Off-Base Transition Train-
- 8 ING.—During the three-year period beginning on the date
- 9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall

- 1 provide the Transition Assistance Program under section
- 2 1144 of title 10, United States Code, to eligible individuals
- 3 at locations other than military installations in not less
- 4 than three and not more than five States selected by the
- 5 Secretary.
- 6 (b) Selection of Locations.—In selecting States
- 7 in which to carry out the training under subsection (a),
- 8 the Secretary shall select the States with the highest rates
- 9 of veteran unemployment. The Secretary shall provide
- 10 such training to veterans at a sufficient number of loca-
- 11 tions within the selected States to meet the need. The Sec-
- 12 retary shall select such locations to facilitate access by
- 13 participants and may not select any location on a military
- 14 installation other than a National Guard or reserve facility
- 15 that is not located on an active duty military installation.
- 16 (c) Eligible Individuals.—For purposes of this
- 17 section, an eligible individual is a veteran or the spouse
- 18 of a veteran.
- 19 (d) Inclusion of Information About Veterans
- 20 Benefits.—The Secretary shall ensure that the training
- 21 provided under subsection (a) generally follows the content
- 22 of the Transition Assistance Program under section 1144
- 23 of title 10, United States Code.
- 24 (e) Integrating Subject Matter Experts.—The
- 25 Secretary of Labor shall include in any contract entered

- 1 into pursuant to section 1144 of title 10, United States
- 2 Code, or section 4113 of title 38, United States Code, a
- 3 requirement to include experts in subject matters relating
- 4 to human resources practices, including resume writing,
- 5 interviewing and job searching skills, and the provision of
- 6 information about post-secondary education.
- 7 (f) Annual Report.—Not later than March 1 of
- 8 any year during which the Secretary provides training
- 9 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to Con-
- 10 gress a report on the provision of such training.
- 11 (g) Comptroller General Report.—Not later
- 12 than 180 days after the termination of the three-year pe-
- 13 riod described in subsection (a), the Comptroller General
- 14 of the United States shall submit to Congress a report
- 15 on the training provided under such subsection. The re-
- 16 port shall include the evaluation of the Comptroller Gen-
- 17 eral regarding the feasibility of carrying out off-base tran-
- 18 sition training at locations nationwide.

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