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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 18, 2011

Mr. FILNER 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,

1 SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN VETERANS WHO 2 SERVE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION NEW 3 DAWN FOR HOSPITAL CARE, MEDICAL SERV-4 ICES, AND NURSING HOME CARE PROVIDED 5 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-6 FAIRS. 7 Section 1710(e)(1)(D) of title 38, United States 8 Code, is amended— 9 (1) by striking "Subject to paragraphs" and in-10 serting "(i) Subject to paragraphs"; and (2) by adding at the end the following new 11 12 clause: 13 "(ii) Notwithstanding any determination of the Sec-14 retary under clause (i), for the purposes of such clause, service in support of Operation New Dawn shall be consid-15 ered to be a service in a theater of combat operations dur-16 ing a period of war.". 17

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