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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 9, 2013

Mr. JONES 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. PROVISION OF HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY**

4 **FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED**
5 **SERVICES.**

6 (a) HBOT TREATMENT.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 55 of title 10,
 2 United States Code, is amended by inserting after
 3 section 1074m the following new section:

4 **“§ 1074n. Provision of hyperbaric oxygen therapy for**
 5 **certain members**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall furnish
 7 hyperbaric oxygen therapy to a covered member if such
 8 therapy is prescribed by a physician to treat post-trau-
 9 matic stress disorder or traumatic brain injury.

10 “(b) USE OF PRIVATE FACILITIES.—The Secretary
 11 may carry out subsection (a) by furnishing hyperbaric oxy-
 12 gen therapy at private facilities in accordance with section
 13 1074(c) of this title.

14 “(c) COVERED MEMBER DEFINED.—In this section,
 15 the term ‘covered member’ means a member of the armed
 16 forces who is—

17 “(1) entitled to medical care under section 1074
 18 of this title; and

19 “(2) diagnosed with post-traumatic stress dis-
 20 order or traumatic brain injury.”.

21 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 22 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
 23 by inserting after the item relating to section 1074m
 24 the following new item:

“1074n. Provision of hyperbaric oxygen therapy for certain members.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 subsection (a) shall take effect 90 days after the date of
3 the enactment of this Act.

