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To increase the mileage reimbursement rate for members of the armed services during permanent change of station and to authorize the transportation of additional motor vehicles of members on change of permanent station to or from nonforeign areas outside the continental United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 19, 2013

Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. HIRONO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Service Members Per-
5 manent Change of Station Relief Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR MEMBERS**
2 **OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES FOR TRAVEL**
3 **RELATED TO CHANGE OF PERMANENT STA-**
4 **TION.**

5 Section 474(d)(1)(A) of title 37, United States Code,
6 is amended by striking “monetary allowance” and all that
7 follows through the period at the end and inserting the
8 following: “monetary allowance in place of the cost of
9 transportation—

10 “(i) in the case of a member for whom travel
11 has been authorized in connection with a change of
12 permanent station or for travel described in para-
13 graph (2) or (3) of subsection (a), at the business
14 standard mileage rate set by the Internal Revenue
15 Service pursuant to section 1.274.5(j)(2) of title 26,
16 Code of Federal Regulations; and

17 “(ii) in the case of a member’s dependent for
18 whom such travel has been authorized, at the rate
19 provided in section 5704 of title 5.”.

1 **SEC. 3. TRANSPORTATION OF ADDITIONAL MOTOR VEHI-**
 2 **CLE OF MEMBERS ON CHANGE OF PERMA-**
 3 **NENT STATION TO OR FROM NONFOREIGN**
 4 **AREAS OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED**
 5 **STATES.**

6 (a) AUTHORITY TO TRANSPORT ADDITIONAL MOTOR
 7 VEHICLE.—Subsection (a) of section 2634 of title 10,
 8 United States Code, is amended—

9 (1) by striking the sentence following paragraph
 10 (4);

11 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2), (3),
 12 and (4) as subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), and (D), re-
 13 spectively;

14 (3) by inserting “(1)” after “(a)”; and

15 (4) by adding at the end the following new
 16 paragraph:

17 “(2) One additional motor vehicle of a member (or
 18 a dependent of the member) may be transported as pro-
 19 vided in paragraph (1) if—

20 “(A) the member is ordered to make a change
 21 of permanent station to or from a nonforeign area
 22 outside the continental United States and the mem-
 23 ber has at least one dependent of driving age who
 24 will use the motor vehicle; or

25 “(B) the Secretary concerned determines that a
 26 replacement for the motor vehicle transported under

1 paragraph (1) is necessary for reasons beyond the
 2 control of the member and is in the interest of the
 3 United States and the Secretary approves the trans-
 4 portation in advance.”.

5 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

6 Such subsection is further amended—

7 (1) by striking “his dependents” and inserting
 8 “a dependent of the member”;

9 (2) by striking “him” and inserting “the mem-
 10 ber”;

11 (3) by striking “his)” and inserting “the mem-
 12 ber)”;

13 (4) by striking “his new” and inserting “the
 14 member’s new”; and

15 (5) in paragraph (1)(C), as redesignated by
 16 subsection (a)—

17 (A) by striking “clauses (1) and (2)” and
 18 inserting “subparagraphs (A) and (B)”;

19 (B) by inserting “or” after the semicolon.

20 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

21 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
 22 on January 1, 2014, and apply with respect to a perma-
 23 nent change of station order issued on or after that date
 24 to a member of the uniformed services.

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