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H. R. 5130

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 27, 2018

Ms. TENNEY 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ensuring Veterans Ac-
5 cess to Military Fitness Facilities Act of 2018”.

1 **SEC. 2. ACCESS FOR VETERANS TO CERTAIN FITNESS CEN-**
2 **TERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 152 of title 10, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing new section:

6 **“SEC. 2569. FITNESS CENTERS: ACCESS FOR VETERANS.**

7 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the
8 Secretary of a military department may grant veterans ac-
9 cess to a fitness center that—

10 “(1) is under the jurisdiction of such Secretary;
11 and

12 “(2) is operated by a geographically separated
13 unit that is located not less than 100 miles from the
14 supporting base of such unit.

15 “(b) FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION.—In deter-
16 mining whether to grant veterans access to a fitness center
17 under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned shall con-
18 sider—

19 “(1) whether the commander who oversees the
20 fitness center has determined—

21 “(A) that such fitness center has the ca-
22 pacity and infrastructure required to support
23 veterans; and

24 “(B) that granting veterans such access
25 would not impede the readiness of members of

1 the armed forces on active duty who use the fit-
2 ness center;

3 “(2) the effect that granting veterans such ac-
4 cess would have on the operating and maintenance
5 expenses of the fitness center; and

6 “(3) any additional criteria determined by the
7 Secretary concerned.

8 “(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘veteran’
9 has the meaning given such term in section 101 of title
10 38.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
13 at the end the following:

“2569. Fitness centers: access for veterans.”.

