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S. 4790

To improve the ability of separating or retiring members of the Armed Forces to seek services provided by accredited veterans service officers, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 1, 2020

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Know Your Vets Act
5 of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRANSMITTAL TO ACCREDITED VETERANS SERVICE**
2 **OFFICERS OF CERTAIN INFORMATION ON**
3 **MEMBERS RETIRING OR SEPARATING FROM**
4 **THE ARMED FORCES.**

5 (a) TRANSMITTAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
6 ensure that a member of the Armed Forces who is sepa-
7 rating or retiring from the Armed Forces may elect to
8 have the Department of Defense transmit the name and
9 contact information of the member to all appropriate ac-
10 credited veterans service officers based on the post-separa-
11 tion mailing address provided to the Department by the
12 member.

13 (b) ACCREDITED VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER DE-
14 FINED.—In this section, the term “accredited veterans
15 service officer” means a person who has been recognized
16 by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under section 5902
17 of title 38, United States Code, for the purposes of prepa-
18 ration, presentation, and prosecution of claims under laws
19 administered by the Secretary.

