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S. 1669

To provide for proper reimbursement of the Department of Defense for assistance provided to nongovernmental entertainment-oriented media producers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HEINRICH (for himself and Mr. VITTER) 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 “Military Equitable Re-
5 imbursement Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. REIMBURSEMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
2 **FOR ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO NONGOVERN-**
3 **MENTAL ENTERTAINMENT-ORIENTED MEDIA**
4 **PRODUCERS.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
6 ings:

7 (1) The Department of Defense benefits when
8 the entertainment industry produces media por-
9 traying the skill, heroism, capability, and challenges
10 of members of the Armed Forces and their families
11 through increased morale, better recruitment and re-
12 tention, and improved understanding by the public.

13 (2) The Department of Defense is in often the
14 best position to ensure realism in productions.

15 (3) The Department of Defense is sometimes
16 forced to decline assisting in productions because ex-
17 penses incurred are not reimbursed to the accounts
18 withdrawn.

19 (b) REIMBURSEMENT.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter
21 134 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by
22 inserting after section 2263 the following new sec-
23 tion:

1 **“§ 2264. Reimbursement for assistance provided to**
2 **nongovernmental entertainment-oriented**
3 **media producers**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be credited to the
5 applicable appropriations account or fund from which the
6 expenses described in subsection (b) were charged any
7 amounts received by the Department of Defense as reim-
8 bursement for such expenses.

9 “(b) DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSES.—The expenses re-
10 ferred to in subsection (a) are any expenses—

11 “(1) incurred by the Department of Defense as
12 a result of providing assistance to a nongovern-
13 mental entertainment-oriented media producer;

14 “(2) for which the Department of Defense re-
15 quires reimbursement under section 9701 of title 31,
16 United States Code, or any other provision of law;
17 and

18 “(3) for which the Department of Defense re-
19 ceived reimbursement after the date of the enact-
20 ment of the National Defense Authorization Act for
21 Fiscal Year 2014.”.

22 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
23 tions at the beginning of such subchapter is amend-
24 ed by adding after the item relating to section 2263
25 the following new item:

“2264. Reimbursement for assistance provided to nongovernmental entertainment-oriented media producers.”.

