

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2276

To amend title 10, United States Code, to improve access to mental health services under the TRICARE program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 1, 2014

Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. FRANKEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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 “Caring for America’s
5 Heroes Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENT OF ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH**
7 **SERVICES UNDER THE TRICARE PROGRAM.**

8 (a) **ELIMINATION OF LIMIT ON DAYS OF INPATIENT**
9 **SERVICES.**—Section 1079 of title 10, United States Code,
10 is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraph (6);

2 and

3 (2) by striking subsection (i).

4 (b) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR NONAVAIL-
5 ABILITY STATEMENT OR PREAUTHORIZATION.—Section
6 721(a) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Author-
7 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (10 U.S.C. 1073 note)
8 is amended by striking “(other than mental health serv-
9 ices)”.

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