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S. 4847

To require the Secretary of Defense to conduct a study on active military-civilian partnerships at trauma centers of military medical treatment facilities within the Defense Health Agency.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 30, 2024

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. CORNYN) 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 “Advancing Medical
5 Readiness Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON ACTIVE MILITARY-CIVILIAN PARTNER-**
2 **SHIPS AT TRAUMA CENTERS OF MILITARY**
3 **MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
5 conduct a study on active military-civilian partnerships at
6 trauma centers of military medical treatment facilities
7 within the Defense Health Agency.

8 (b) ELEMENTS.—The study required under sub-
9 section (a) shall—

10 (1) identify and define active military-civilian
11 partnerships through which members of the Armed
12 Forces participate in the civilian health care system;

13 (2) assess the costs borne by the Department of
14 Defense for providing care through such partner-
15 ships;

16 (3) identify metrics and best practices for
17 tracking and evaluating the skills and readiness
18 gained by clinicians of the Department of Defense
19 by providing care through such partnerships; and

20 (4) identify policies, processes, and expertise
21 needed to bill civilian health insurance and patients.

22 (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than May 1, 2025, the Sec-
23 retary shall brief the Committee on Armed Services of the
24 Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the

- 1 House of Representatives on the results of the study re-
- 2 quired under subsection (a).

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