

110TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 2790

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 21, 2008

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physician Assistant Services within the office of the Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PHYSICIAN**
2 **ASSISTANT SERVICES AT VETERANS HEALTH**
3 **ADMINISTRATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VET-**
4 **ERANS AFFAIRS.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 7306(a) of title 38,
6 United States Code, is amended by striking paragraph (9)
7 and inserting the following:

8 “(9) The Director of Physician Assistant Serv-
9 ices, who shall be a qualified physician assistant who
10 shall report to the Under Secretary for Health on all
11 matters relating to the education and training, em-
12 ployment, appropriate utilization, and optimal par-
13 ticipation of physician assistants within the pro-
14 grams and initiatives of the Administration. The Di-
15 rector of Physician Assistant Services shall serve in
16 a full-time capacity at the Central Office of the De-
17 partment.”.

18 (b) **DEADLINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION.**—The Sec-
19 retary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that an individual
20 is serving as the Director of Physician Assistant Services
21 under section 7306(a)(9) of title 38, United States Code,

- 1 as added by subsection (a), by not later than 120 days
- 2 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives May 20, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.