

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5729

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 direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide comprehensive health care to children of Vietnam veterans born with Spina Bifida, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Spina Bifida Health
3 Care Program Expansion Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE BY**

5 **SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO CHIL-**

6 **DREN OF VIETNAM VETERANS BORN WITH**

7 **SPINA BIFIDA.**

8 (a) **PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH**
9 **CARE.**—Section 1803(a) of title 38, United States Code,
10 is amended by striking “such health care as the Secretary
11 determines is needed by the child for the spina bifida or
12 any disability that is associated with such condition” and
13 inserting “health care under this section”.

14 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
15 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to care furnished
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives May 20, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,

Clerk.