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H. R. 293

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Labor to carry out a grant program to provide reintegration services through programs and facilities that emphasize services for homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 8, 2009

Mr. BUYER (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. STEARNS, and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Homeless Women Vet-
5 erans and Homeless Veterans with Children Reintegration
6 Grant Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. HOMELESS WOMEN VETERANS AND HOMELESS**
2 **VETERANS WITH CHILDREN REINTEGRATION**
3 **GRANT PROGRAM.**

4 (a) GRANT PROGRAM.—Chapter 20 of title 38,
5 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section
6 2021 the following new section:

7 **“§ 2021A. Homeless women veterans and homeless**
8 **veterans with children reintegration**
9 **grant program**

10 “(a) GRANTS.—Subject to the availability of appro-
11 priations provided for such purpose, the Secretary of
12 Labor shall make grants to program and facilities that
13 the Secretary determines provide dedicated services for
14 homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with chil-
15 dren.

16 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Grants under this section
17 shall be used to provide job training, counseling, place-
18 ment services (including job readiness and literacy and
19 skills training) and child care services to expedite the re-
20 integration of homeless women veterans and homeless vet-
21 erans with children into the labor force.

22 “(c) REQUIREMENT TO MONITOR EXPENDITURES OF
23 FUNDS.—(1) The Secretary of Labor shall collect such in-
24 formation as that Secretary considers appropriate to mon-
25 itor and evaluate the distribution and expenditure of funds
26 appropriated to carry out this section. The information

1 shall include data with respect to the results or outcomes
2 of the services provided to each homeless veteran under
3 this section.

4 “(2) Information under paragraph (1) shall be fur-
5 nished in such form and manner as the Secretary of Labor
6 may specify.

7 “(d) ADMINISTRATION THROUGH THE ASSISTANT
8 SECRETARY OF LABOR FOR VETERANS’ EMPLOYMENT
9 AND TRAINING.—The Secretary of Labor shall carry out
10 this section through the Assistant Secretary of Labor for
11 Veterans’ Employment and Training.

12 “(e) BIENNIAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Sec-
13 retary of Labor shall include as part of the report required
14 under section 2021(d) of this title an evaluation of the
15 grant program under this section, which shall include an
16 evaluation of services furnished to veterans under this sec-
17 tion and an analysis of the information collected under
18 subsection (c).

19 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—(1)
20 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this
21 section \$10,000,000 for each fiscal year.

22 “(2) Funds appropriated to carry out this section
23 shall remain available until expended. Funds obligated in
24 any fiscal year to carry out this section may be expended
25 in that fiscal year and the succeeding fiscal year.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
2 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
3 after the item relating to section 2120 the following new
4 item:

“2021A. Homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children re-
integration grant program.”.

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