

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5768

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the waiver of the collection of copayments for telehealth and telemedicine visits of veterans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 15, 2010

Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. TEAGUE, and Mr. MICHAUD) 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. AUTHORITY TO WAIVE COLLECTION OF COPAY-**
4 **MENTS FOR TELEHEALTH AND TELEMEDI-**
5 **CINE VISITS OF VETERANS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter III of chapter 17 of
7 title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
8 section 1722A the following new section:

1 **“§ 1722B. Copayments: waiver of collection of copay-**
2 **ments for telehealth and telemedicine**
3 **visits of veterans**

4 “The Secretary may waive the imposition or collec-
5 tion of copayments for telehealth and telemedicine visits
6 of veterans under the laws administered by the Sec-
7 retary.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
9 at the beginning of chapter 17 of such title is amended
10 by inserting after the item relating to section 1722A the
11 following new item:

“1722B. Copayments: waiver of collection of copayments for telehealth and tele-
medicine visits of veterans.”.

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