

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 3162

AN ACT

To clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage.

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. CLARIFICATION OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDED**
2 **BY THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
3 **THAT CONSTITUTES MINIMUM ESSENTIAL**
4 **COVERAGE.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Clause (v) of section
6 5000A(f)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
7 added by section 1501(b) of the Patient Protection and
8 Affordable Care Act, is amended to read as follows:

9 “(v) chapter 17 or 18 of title 38,
10 United States Code, or otherwise under the
11 laws administered by the Secretary of Vet-
12 erans Affairs, of an individual entitled to
13 coverage under such chapter or laws for
14 essential health benefits (as defined by the
15 Secretary for purposes of section 1302(b)
16 of the Patient Protection and Affordable
17 Care Act) insofar as such benefits are
18 available under such chapter or laws; or”.

19 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
20 subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in section
21 1501(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

- 1 and shall be executed immediately after the amendments
- 2 made by such section 1501(b).

Passed the Senate March 26 (legislative day, March 25), 2010.

Attest:

Secretary.

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