

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 476

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 25, 2009

Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. BOND) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Care Affordability for
5 Military Families Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION OF MINIMUM DISTANCE OF TRAVEL**
2 **FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF COVERED BENE-**
3 **FICIARIES OF THE MILITARY HEALTH CARE**
4 **SYSTEM FOR TRAVEL FOR SPECIALTY**
5 **HEALTH CARE.**

6 (a) **REDUCTION.**—Section 1074i(a) of title 10,
7 United States Code, is amended by striking “100 miles”
8 and inserting “50 miles”.

9 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 90 days
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall apply
12 with respect to referrals for specialty health care made on
13 or after such effective date.

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