

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 606

To amend the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to establish  
a Veterans Corps program.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 17, 2009

Mr. WARNER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred  
to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

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to establish a Veterans Corps program.

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. VETERANS CORPS.**

4       Section 122(a) of the National and Community Serv-  
5       ice Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12572(a)) is amended—

6               (1) by redesignating paragraph (15) as para-  
7       graph (16); and

8               (2) by inserting after paragraph (14) the fol-  
9       lowing:

10              “(15) A Veterans Corps program that—

1           “(A) identifies unmet needs of veterans  
2 through activities such as—

3           “(i) promoting community-based ef-  
4 forts to meet the unique needs of military  
5 families while a family member is deployed  
6 and upon that family member’s return  
7 home;

8           “(ii) recruiting veterans, particularly  
9 returning veterans, into service opportuni-  
10 ties;

11           “(iii) working to assist veterans in de-  
12 veloping their educational opportunities,  
13 including opportunities for professional  
14 certification;

15           “(iv) promoting efforts within the  
16 community to serve the needs of veterans  
17 and active duty military members;

18           “(v) assisting veterans in developing  
19 mentoring relationships with economically  
20 disadvantaged students; and

21           “(vi) developing projects to assist dis-  
22 abled and older veterans; and

23           “(B) establishes, and meets or exceeds,  
24 performance indicators relating to the activities  
25 described in subparagraph (A), including—

- 1                   “(i) the number of housing units cre-  
2                   ated for veterans;
- 3                   “(ii) the number of veterans who pur-  
4                   sue educational opportunities;
- 5                   “(iii) the number of veterans receiving  
6                   professional certification;
- 7                   “(iv) outreach efforts to service orga-  
8                   nizations serving the needs to veterans;
- 9                   “(v) the number of veterans engaged  
10                  in service opportunities;
- 11                  “(vi) the number of military families  
12                  assisted by organizations while the family  
13                  member is deployed and when the family  
14                  member returns from deployment;
- 15                  “(vii) the number of economically dis-  
16                  advantaged students engaged in mentoring  
17                  relationships with veterans;
- 18                  “(viii) projects designed to meet iden-  
19                  tifiable public needs with a specific empha-  
20                  sis on projects in support of veterans, espe-  
21                  cially disabled and older veterans;
- 22                  “(ix) another indicator relating to  
23                  education or skill attainment that assists  
24                  in providing veterans with the skills to ad-

1 dress identifiable public needs, that is ap-  
2 proved by the Corporation; and

3 “(x) other additional indicators that  
4 improve the lives of veterans and families  
5 of individuals deployed in service, that the  
6 Corporation, in consultation with the De-  
7 partment of Veterans Affairs, establishes  
8 for a given year.”.

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