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# S. 2246

To direct the Secretary of Labor to provide off-base transition training,  
and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 28, 2012

Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. RUBIO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## 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 “TAP Modernization  
5       Act of 2012”.

6       **SEC. 2. OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAINING.**

7       (a) PROVISION OF OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAIN-  
8       ING.—During the three-year period beginning on the date  
9       of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall  
10      provide the Transition Assistance Program under section

1 1144 of title 10, United States Code, to eligible individuals  
2 at locations other than military installations in not less  
3 than three and not more than five States selected by the  
4 Secretary.

5 (b) SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—In selecting States  
6 in which to carry out the training under subsection (a),  
7 the Secretary shall select the States with the highest rates  
8 of veteran unemployment. The Secretary shall provide  
9 such training to veterans at a sufficient number of loca-  
10 tions within the selected States to meet the need. The Sec-  
11 retary shall select such locations to facilitate access by  
12 participants and may not select any location on a military  
13 installation other than a National Guard or reserve facility  
14 that is not located on an active duty military installation.

15 (c) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—For purposes of this  
16 section, an eligible individual is a veteran or the spouse  
17 of a veteran.

18 (d) INCLUSION OF INFORMATION ABOUT VETERANS  
19 BENEFITS.—The Secretary shall ensure that the training  
20 provided under subsection (a) generally follows the content  
21 of the Transition Assistance Program under section 1144  
22 of title 10, United States Code.

23 (e) INTEGRATING SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS.—The  
24 Secretary of Labor shall include in any contract entered  
25 into pursuant to section 1144 of title 10, United States

1 Code, or section 4113 of title 38, United States Code, a  
2 requirement to include experts in subject matters relating  
3 to human resources practices, including resume writing,  
4 interviewing and job searching skills, and the provision of  
5 information about post-secondary education.

6 (f) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 1 of  
7 any year during which the Secretary provides training  
8 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to Con-  
9 gress a report on the provision of such training.

10 (g) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—Not later  
11 than 180 days after the termination of the three-year pe-  
12 riod described in subsection (a), the Comptroller General  
13 of the United States shall submit to Congress a report  
14 on the training provided under such subsection. The re-  
15 port shall include the evaluation of the Comptroller Gen-  
16 eral regarding the feasibility of carrying out off-base tran-  
17 sition training at locations nationwide.

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