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S. 970

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to newborn children.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 27, 2017

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. TILLIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Newborn Care Im-
5 provement Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES PRO-**
7 **VIDED TO NEWBORN CHILDREN BY DEPART-**
8 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

9 Section 1786 of title 38, United States Code, is
10 amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding
2 paragraph (1), by striking “seven days” and insert-
3 ing “14 days”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
5 section:

6 “(c) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 31 days after
7 the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit to
8 the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and the
9 Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Rep-
10 resentatives a report on the health care services provided
11 under subsection (a) during such fiscal year, including the
12 number of newborn children who received such services
13 during such fiscal year.”.

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