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H. R. 5858

To require the Secretary of Defense to seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to study and report on the incidence of cancer diagnosis and mortality among pilots in the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 12, 2020

Mrs. LURIA (for herself and Mr. KINZINGER) introduced the following bill;
which was 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 “Military Pilots Cancer
5 Incidence Study Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STUDY ON INCIDENCE OF CANCER DIAGNOSIS AND**
2 **MORTALITY AMONG PILOTS IN THE UNI-**
3 **FORMED SERVICES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of De-
6 fense shall seek to enter into an agreement with the Na-
7 tional Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
8 under which the National Academies of Sciences, Engi-
9 neering, and Medicine shall—

10 (1) conduct a study—

11 (A) to determine the incidence of cancer
12 diagnosis and mortality among members, and
13 former members, of the uniformed services who
14 serve as pilots compared to such members who
15 do not serve as pilots, including by determining
16 such incidence based on gender, age, flying
17 hours, uniformed services, and type of aircraft;
18 and

19 (B) to determine the appropriate age to
20 begin screening such members for cancer, in-
21 cluding by determining such age based on gen-
22 der, flying hours, uniformed services, and type
23 of aircraft; and

24 (2) not later than one year after the date the
25 Secretary enters into such agreement, submit a re-
26 port to the Committees on Armed Services and Vet-

1 erans' Affairs of the House of Representatives and
2 the Senate on the findings from the study described
3 under paragraph (1).

4 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) The term “pilot” includes an individual who
6 frequently accompanies a pilot in a cockpit, such as
7 a navigator or maintenance personnel.

8 (2) The term “uniformed services” has the
9 meaning given such term in section 101 of title 37,
10 United States Code.

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