

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 617

To prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from charging veterans copayments for preventive services relating to COVID–19.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2021

Ms. UNDERWOOD (for herself, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. ZELDIN, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was 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 “No Coronavirus
5 Copays for Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON COPAYMENTS AND COST SHARING**
2 **FOR VETERANS RECEIVING PREVENTIVE**
3 **SERVICES RELATING TO COVID-19.**

4 (a) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of Veterans Af-
5 fairs may not require any copayment or other cost sharing
6 under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, for
7 qualifying coronavirus preventive services. The require-
8 ment described in this subsection shall take effect with
9 respect to a qualifying coronavirus preventive service on
10 the specified date.

11 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “quali-
12 fying coronavirus preventive service” and “specified date”
13 have the meaning given those terms in section 3203 of
14 the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136).

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