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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 10, 2025

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia (for herself, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. BACON, and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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 “Qualified to Serve
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MEDICAL ACCESSION STANDARDS FOR MEMBERS**
2 **OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

3 Chapter 37 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
4 ed by adding at the end the following new section:

5 **“§ 658. Medical accession standards for members of**
6 **the Armed Forces**

7 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDARDS.—(1) The
8 Secretaries concerned shall establish uniform medical ac-
9 cession standards for each Armed Force. Such standards
10 shall—

11 “(A) apply uniformly for all commissioned offi-
12 cers of an Armed Force; and

13 “(B) apply uniformly for all enlisted members
14 of an Armed Force across each occupational spe-
15 cialty.

16 “(2) The Secretary concerned shall make readily
17 available and understandable to potential members of the
18 Armed Forces the standards established under paragraph
19 (1), including an explanation of the process established
20 under subsection (c)(1) and the process for seeking ap-
21 proval under subsection (c)(2).

22 “(b) PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN MEDICAL DISQUALI-
23 FICATIONS.—No person may be disqualified from serving
24 as a member of the Armed Forces on the sole basis of
25 a past diagnosis of a medical condition if—

1 “(1) the diagnosis occurred before such person
2 reached the age of 13 years old;

3 “(2) the condition did not require treatment
4 during the five-year period that ends on the date on
5 which such person seeks to become a member of the
6 Armed Forces;

7 “(3) a licensed medical professional provides a
8 current evaluation affirming that such person does
9 not meet diagnostic criteria for the condition and is
10 medically fit for service as a member of the Armed
11 Forces; and

12 “(4) the Secretary concerned determines such
13 diagnosis is unlikely to impact the health and readi-
14 ness of the Armed Force of which such person seeks
15 to become a member.

16 “(c) PROCESS FOR REVIEW OR WAIVER OF MEDICAL
17 DISQUALIFICATIONS.—(1) The Secretary concerned shall
18 establish a process for the review of medical disqualifica-
19 tions of persons seeking to become a member of the Armed
20 Forces.

21 “(2) The Secretary concerned may approve the acces-
22 sion of a person into the Armed Forces without regard
23 to a disqualifying medical diagnosis if the Secretary con-
24 cerned determines that the accession of such person is in
25 the interests of national security.

1 “(d) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Secretary of Defense
2 shall annually submit to the congressional defense commit-
3 tees a report identifying—

4 “(1) the number of persons disqualified from
5 service as a member of the Armed Forces during the
6 preceding calendar year due to medical history;

7 “(2) the number and type of approvals granted
8 under subsection (c)(2) during the preceding cal-
9 endar year; and

10 “(3) any updates to the medical standards for
11 accession established under subsection (a) or the
12 process established under subsection (c)(1) since the
13 submission of the preceding report.”.

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