

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5712

To authorize the Secretary of Labor to establish a pilot program to have community business leaders mentor members of the Armed Forces under the Transition Assistance Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 10, 2012

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois, and Mr. REICHERT) 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 “Veterans Jobs Act of
5 2012”.

6 **SEC. 2. BUSINESS LEADER MENTOR PILOT PROGRAM.**

7 (a) **PILOT PROGRAM.**—In carrying out the Transition
8 Assistance Program (including the Disabled Transition

1 Assistance Program) under section 1144 of title 10,
2 United States Code, the Secretary of Labor, in coopera-
3 tion with the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of
4 Veterans Affairs, may establish a pilot program to assess
5 the feasibility and advisability of using community busi-
6 ness leaders as mentors to facilitate the transition of mem-
7 bers of the Armed Forces who are being separated from
8 active duty and the spouses of such members.

9 (b) DURATION.—If the Secretary carries out the pilot
10 program established under subsection (a), such program
11 shall be carried out for a two-year period.

12 (c) REPORT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months
14 after the date on which the Secretary commences the
15 pilot program established under subsection (a), the
16 Secretary shall submit to the appropriate congress-
17 sional committees a report on such program, includ-
18 ing the findings of the Secretary with respect to the
19 feasibility and advisability of using business leaders
20 as mentors as described in subsection (a).

21 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
22 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-
23 propriate congressional committees” means—

1 (A) the Committees on Veterans' Affairs
2 and Armed Services of the House of Represent-
3 atives; and

4 (B) the Committees on Veterans' Affairs
5 and Armed Services of the Senate.

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