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H. R. 6429

To establish certain protections for members of the Armed Forces who refuse to receive vaccinations against COVID-19, and to increase basic pay for members of the uniformed services.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 19, 2022

Mrs. MILLER of Illinois 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. PROTECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
4 **FORCES WHO REFUSE TO RECEIVE VACCINA-**
5 **TIONS AGAINST COVID-19.**

6 (a) PROHIBITIONS.—

1 (1) FEDERAL FUNDING.—No Federal funds
2 may be used to require a member of the Armed
3 Forces to receive a vaccination against COVID-19.

4 (2) ADVERSE ACTION.—The Secretary con-
5 cerned may not take any adverse action against a
6 member of the Armed Forces solely on the basis that
7 such member refuses to receive a vaccination against
8 COVID-19.

9 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) The term “adverse action” includes the fol-
11 lowing:

12 (A) Retaliation.

13 (B) Punishment.

14 (C) Disparate treatment.

15 (D) A requirement to wear a mask.

16 (E) A requirement to reside in sub-
17 standard housing.

18 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” has the
19 meaning given that term in section 101 of title 10,
20 United States Code.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN BASIC PAY FOR MEMBERS OF THE**
2 **UNIFORMED SERVICES.**

3 Effective on January 1, 2023, the rates of monthly
4 basic pay for members of the uniformed services are in-
5 creased by 2.7 percent.

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