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# H. R. 7041

To provide for a standard record of service on active duty for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PAPPAS (for himself, Ms. MACE, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. TURNER, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Ms. NORTON, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. KAHELE, Ms. BROWNLEY, Ms. TITUS, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. GARBARINO, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. SOTO, Mr. BACON, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. CLINE, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. TRONE, Mr. COSTA, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. SCHRIER, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. FALLON, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. CRAIG, and Ms. HOULAHAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## 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 “Record of Military  
5 Service for Members of the Armed Forces Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. RECORD OF MILITARY SERVICE FOR MEMBERS OF**  
2 **THE ARMED FORCES.**

3 (a) STANDARD RECORD OF SERVICE REQUIRED.—  
4 Chapter 59 of title 10, United States Code, is amended  
5 by inserting after section 1168 the following new sections:

6 **“§ 1168a. Discharge or release: record of military**  
7 **service**

8 “(a) RECORD OF SERVICE REQUIRED.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense  
10 shall establish and implement a standard record of  
11 military service for all members of the active and re-  
12 serve components of the armed forces to encompass  
13 all duty under this title and titles 32 and 14.

14 “(2) DESIGNATION.—The record of service shall  
15 be known as the ‘Certificate of Military Service’.

16 “(b) NATURE AND SCOPE.—The record of service re-  
17 quired by subsection (a) shall—

18 “(1) consist of a standardized summary of the  
19 service on active duty, inactive duty, annual train-  
20 ing, active duty for training, and State active duty  
21 in the armed forces of each member who serves in  
22 the armed forces;

23 “(2) be the same document for all members of  
24 the armed forces; and

25 “(3) replace and serve the same function as a  
26 discharge certificate or certificate of release from ac-



1           “(2) Upon discharge or release from temporary  
2 active duty orders (minimum of 90 days on orders  
3 or 30 days for a contingency operation).

4           “(3) Upon promotion to each grade (starting at  
5 O–3 for commissioned officers, W–3 for warrant of-  
6 ficers, and E–4 for enlisted members).

7           “(4) In the case of a member of the National  
8 Guard, upon any transfer to the National Guard of  
9 another State or territory (commonly referred to as  
10 an ‘Interstate Transfer’).”.

11       (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATED TO CUR-  
12 RENT DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE AUTHORITIES.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section  
14 1168 of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

15           (A) by striking “his discharge certificate or  
16 certificate of release from active duty, respec-  
17 tively, and his final pay” and inserting “the  
18 member’s record or military service (as provided  
19 for by section 1168a of this title), and the  
20 member’s final pay”; and

21           (B) by striking “him or his” and inserting  
22 “the member or the member’s”.

23           (2) HEADING AMENDMENT.—The heading of  
24 such section 1168 is amended to read as follows:

1 **“§ 1168. Discharge or release from active duty: limita-**  
2 **tions; issuance of record of military serv-**  
3 **ice”.**

4 (d) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
5 at the beginning of chapter 59 of such title is amended  
6 by striking the item relating to section 1168 and inserting  
7 the following new items:

“1168. Discharge or release from active duty: limitations; issuance of record of  
military service.

“1168a. Discharge or release: record of military service.

“1168b. Record of military service: issuance to members of reserve compo-  
nents.”.

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