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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 27, 2021

Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Ms. HIRONO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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 “Access to Contracep-  
5 tion Expansion for Veterans Act” or the “ACE Veterans  
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FULL YEAR SUPPLY OF CONTRACEPTIVE PILLS,**  
 2 **TRANSDERMAL PATCHES, VAGINAL RINGS,**  
 3 **AND OTHER HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE**  
 4 **PRODUCTS.**

5 (a) FULL YEAR SUPPLY.—Subchapter II of chapter  
 6 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting  
 7 after section 1720J the following new section:

8 **“§ 1720K. Full year supply of contraceptive pills,**  
 9 **transdermal patches, vaginal rings, and**  
 10 **other hormonal contraceptive products**

11 “(a) REQUEST FOR FULL YEAR SUPPLY.—The Sec-  
 12 retary shall ensure that a veteran who is enrolled in the  
 13 system of annual patient enrollment of the Department  
 14 under section 1705 of this title and who receives a pre-  
 15 scription for contraceptive pills, transdermal patches, vag-  
 16 inal rings, or other hormonal contraceptive products may,  
 17 upon request, fill such prescription as a full year supply.

18 “(b) NOTICE.—A veteran described in subsection (a)  
 19 shall be notified of the option for a full year supply de-  
 20 scribed in that subsection at the time at which the pre-  
 21 scription is issued.”.

22 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
 23 at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by insert-  
 24 ing after the item relating to section 1720J the following  
 25 new item:

“1720K. Full year supply of contraceptive pills, transdermal patches, vaginal rings, and other hormonal contraceptive products .”.

