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# S. 24

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 4, 2017

Mr. CASSIDY 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. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER VETERANS**

4 **CHOICE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE VETERANS**

5 **AGE 75 OR OLDER.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b)(2) of section 101  
7 of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of

1 2014 (Public Law 113–146; 38 U.S.C. 1701 note) is  
 2 amended—

3 (1) in subparagraph (C)(ii), by striking “; or”  
 4 and inserting a semicolon;

5 (2) in subparagraph (D)(ii)(II)(dd), by striking  
 6 the period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

7 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
 8 paragraph:

9 “(E) is age 75 or older.”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

11 (1) INFORMATION ON AVAILABILITY OF  
 12 CARE.—Subsection (g)(3) of such section is amended  
 13 by striking “or (D)” and inserting “(D), or (E)”.

14 (2) REPORT.—Subsection (q)(2)(A) of such sec-  
 15 tion is amended—

16 (A) in clause (iii), by striking “; and” and  
 17 inserting a semicolon;

18 (B) in clause (iv), by striking the period at  
 19 the end and inserting “; and”; and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
 21 clause:

22 “(v) eligible veterans described in sub-  
 23 section (b)(2)(E).”.