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S. 4700

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for limitations on copayments for contraception furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 2022

Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. KING, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. HEINRICH, and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Equal Access to Con-
5 traception for Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON COPAYMENTS FOR CONTRACEP-**
2 **TION.**

3 Section 1722A(a)(2) of title 38, United States Code,
4 is amended—

5 (1) by striking “to pay” and all that follows
6 through the period and inserting “to pay—”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
8 paragraphs:

9 “(A) an amount in excess of the cost to the
10 Secretary for medication described in paragraph (1);
11 or

12 “(B) an amount for any contraceptive item for
13 which coverage under health insurance coverage is
14 required without the imposition of any cost-sharing
15 requirement pursuant to section 2713(a)(4) of the
16 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg–
17 13(a)(4)).”.

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