

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 903

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 7, 2017

Mr. UDALL (for himself and Mr. TESTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF PILOT PRO-**
2 **GRAM ON USE OF CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS**
3 **AND ENTITIES TO ENSURE THAT VETERANS**
4 **RECEIVE CARE AND BENEFITS FOR WHICH**
5 **THEY ARE ELIGIBLE.**

6 (a) **EXTENSION.**—Subsection (b) of section 506 of
7 the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act
8 of 2010 (Public Law 111–163; 38 U.S.C. 523 note) is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 “(b) **DURATION OF PROGRAM.**—The Secretary may
11 not carry out the pilot program after September 30,
12 2019.”.

13 (b) **EXPANSION OF LOCATIONS.**—Subsection (c) of
14 such section is amended by adding at the end the following
15 new paragraph:

16 “(3) **ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS.**—The Secretary
17 may expand the pilot program to include additional
18 locations if the Secretary recommends that the pilot
19 program be expanded in the initial report submitted
20 under subsection (g)(2)(C).”.

21 (c) **REPORT.**—Subsection (g) of such section is
22 amended—

23 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “RE-
24 PORT ON PROGRAM” and inserting “REPORTS”;

1 (2) in paragraph (1), by inserting “and not
2 later than 180 days after the completion of the pilot
3 program,” after “September 30, 2017,”; and

4 (3) in paragraph (2)—

5 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
6 (A), by striking “The report” and inserting
7 “Each report”; and

8 (B) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “or
9 expanding” after “continuing”.

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