SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Department of Veterans Affairs Website Accessibility Act of 2019''.

SEC. 2. STUDY ON THE ACCESSIBILITY OF WEBSITES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

(a) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall conduct a study of all websites of the Department of Veterans Affairs to determine whether such websites are accessible to individuals with disabilities in accordance with section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d).

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after completing the study under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on such study.

(c) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (b) shall include the following:

(1) A list of each website described in subsection (a) that is not accessible to individuals with disabilities in accordance with section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d).

(2) For each website identified in the list under paragraph (1)—

(A) the plan of the Secretary to bring the website into compliance with the requirements of section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d); and

(B) a description of the barriers to bringing the website into compliance with the requirements of such section, including any barriers relating to vacant positions at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(d) WEBSITE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ''website'' includes the following:

(1) A file attached to a website.

(2) A web-based application.

(3) A kiosk at a medical facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the use of which is required to check in for scheduled appointments.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 554—RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS DURING THE 2020 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Mr. CRAMER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 554

Whereas, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of Coronavirus disease 2019 (referred to in this preamble as ''COVID–19'') a pandemic;

Whereas, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency, mobilizing the entire United States in the fight against COVID–19;

Whereas doctors and nurses across the United States have worked tirelessly to combat COVID–19, setting up testing facilities and providing constant top-notch care to individuals who have been infected;

Whereas mental health professionals have continued to provide excellent therapy and counseling services, even in the face of the unique challenges presented by social distancing across the United States;

Whereas researchers and lab technicians have been working around the clock to create tests, find a treatment, and, ultimately, find a cure for COVID–19;

Whereas public health officials have worked to educate their communities and implement policies that will curb the communal spread of COVID–19; and

Whereas every individual in the health care community, which includes doctors, nurses, custodial staff, administrative staff, registered nurses, patient care assistants, public health officials, mental health professionals, researchers, lab technicians, and many others, has acted with excellence and professionalism to ensure that the citizens of the United States receive the care they need to get the United States through the COVID–19 crisis: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) observes that the spirit of the United States remains resilient in the face of the crisis caused by Coronavirus disease 2019 (referred to in this resolution as ''COVID–19'');

(2) expresses gratitude to the people of the United States for doing their part to stop the spread of COVID–19; and

(3) salutes health care professionals across the United States.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1577. Mr. SASSE (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. LEE) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1578 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 748, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on high cost employer-sponsored health coverage.

SA 1578. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 748, supra.

SA 1579. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. MORAN) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3504, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for improvements to the specially adapted housing program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1577. Mr. SASSE (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. LEE) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 1578 proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL to the bill H.R. 748, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on high cost employer-sponsored health coverage; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division A, insert the following:

SEC. 2117. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS MAY NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF WAGES THE INDIVIDUAL WAS EARNING PRIOR TO BECOMING UNEMPLOYED.

(a) PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.—Notwithstanding section 2101, in no case may the total amount of the weekly assistance applicable to an individual under paragraph (1) or (2) of section 2102 (including the increase under section 2104) exceed the amount of the individual's average weekly wages for an appropriate period prior to the receipt of assistance under such section, as determined by the Secretary of Labor.

(b) FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.—Notwithstanding section 2104, in no case may the sum of the weekly amount described in subparagraphs (A) (regular compensation) and (B) (Federal pandemic unemployment compensation) of section 2104(b)(1) for an individual exceed the amount of the individual's average weekly wages for which the amount described in such subparagraph (A) is based.

(c) PANDEMIC EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.—Notwithstanding section 2107, in no case may an individual's average weekly benefit amount described in 2107(b)(3) (including the increase under section 2104) exceed the amount of the average weekly wages for which the individuals's average weekly benefit amount (determined without regard to such increase) is based.

SA 1578. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 748, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on high cost employer-sponsored health coverage; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act'' or the ''CARES Act''.

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

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