

116TH CONGRESS
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S. 2504

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish hyperbaric oxygen therapy to veterans with traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mr. CRAMER) 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 “TBI and PTSD Treat-
5 ment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY FOR VETERANS**
 2 **WITH TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY OR POST-**
 3 **TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 17 of
 5 title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting after
 6 section 1710E the following new section:

7 **“§ 1710F. Traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic**
 8 **stress disorder: hyperbaric oxygen ther-**
 9 **apy**

10 “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary shall furnish
 11 hyperbaric oxygen therapy to a veteran who has a condi-
 12 tion specified in subsection (b) through a health care pro-
 13 vider described in section 1703(c)(5) of this title.

14 “(b) COVERED CONDITIONS.—The conditions speci-
 15 fied in this subsection are the following:

16 “(1) Traumatic brain injury.

17 “(2) Post-traumatic stress disorder.”.

18 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 19 at the beginning of subchapter II of chapter 17 of such
 20 title is amended by inserting after the item relating to sec-
 21 tion 1710E the following new item:

“1710F. Traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder: hyperbaric
 oxygen therapy.”.

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