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H. R. 7476

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit a report to Congress on programs to notify veterans of potential exposure to certain herbicide agents outside of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 1, 2020

Mr. VELA introduced the following bill; which was 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. REPORT ON OUTREACH BY THE SECRETARY OF**
4 **VETERANS AFFAIRS REGARDING POTENTIAL**
5 **EXPOSURE OF VETERANS TO HERBICIDE**
6 **AGENTS.**

7 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—No later than 180 days
8 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of

1 Veterans Affairs shall submit to Congress a report detail-
2 ing outreach activities regarding the potential exposure of
3 veterans to certain herbicide agents at sites outside of
4 Vietnam.

5 (b) SPANISH LANGUAGE OUTREACH.—The report re-
6 quired by subsection (a) shall include information on
7 whether outreach activities are being conducted in Span-
8 ish.

9 (c) HERBICIDE AGENT DEFINED.—For the purposes
10 of this Act, the term “herbicide agent” means a chemical
11 in an herbicide used or stored by the United States and
12 allied military forces for the purposes of military oper-
13 ations or testing during the period starting on May 1,
14 1945 and ending on June 10, 1977.

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