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1ST SESSION

S. 1880

To amend title 37, United States Code, to expand eligibility for reimbursement of qualified licensure, certification, and business relocation costs incurred by military spouses.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 8, 2023

Mr. OSSOFF (for himself and Mr. SCHMITT) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Military Spouse Career
5 Support Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT**
2 **OF QUALIFIED LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION,**
3 **AND BUSINESS RELOCATION COSTS IN-**
4 **CURRED BY MILITARY SPOUSES.**

5 Section 453(g) of title 37, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “OR
8 BUSINESS COSTS” and all that follows through “AS-
9 SIGNMENT” and inserting “AND BUSINESS COSTS”;

10 (2) in paragraph (1)—

11 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
12 (A), by striking “or qualified business costs”
13 and inserting “and qualified business costs”;

14 (B) by amending subparagraph (A) to read
15 as follows:

16 “(A) the member relocates to a new juris-
17 diction or geographic area as the result of—

18 “(i) an assignment to a duty station;

19 “(ii) a reassignment, either as a result
20 of a permanent change of station or per-
21 manent change of assignment, between
22 duty stations; or

23 “(iii) a transfer from a regular com-
24 ponent of a uniformed service into the Se-
25 lected Reserve of the Ready Reserve of a
26 uniformed service, if the member is author-

1 ized a final move from the last duty station
2 to the new jurisdiction or geographic area;
3 and”; and

4 (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-
5 assignment” and inserting “relocation”;

6 (3) in paragraph (2), by striking “reassign-
7 ment” both places it appears and inserting “reloca-
8 tion”;

9 (4) in paragraph (4)—

10 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking
11 “movement described in” and all that follows
12 through the semicolon and inserting “the mem-
13 ber’s relocation described in paragraph (1);”;
14 and

15 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-
16 assignment” and inserting “relocation”; and

17 (5) in paragraph (5)—

18 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “a
19 movement described in” and all that follows
20 through the semicolon and inserting “the mem-
21 ber’s relocation described in paragraph (1);”;
22 and

23 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “re-
24 assignment” and inserting “relocation”.

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