

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4883

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain notice to a person filing a claim against the Department of Veterans Affairs for damage, injury, or death on Standard Form 95, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 10, 2020

Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. TILLIS) 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 “Brian Tally VA Em-
5 ployment Transparency Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS REQUIRE-**
2 **MENT TO PROVIDE CERTAIN NOTICE TO PER-**
3 **SONS FILING CLAIMS FOR DAMAGE, INJURY,**
4 **OR DEATH ON STANDARD FORM 95.**

5 Not later than 30 days after the date on which a per-
6 son submits to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs a claim
7 for damage, injury, or death on Standard Form 95, or
8 any successor form, the Secretary shall provide to the
9 claimant notice of each of the following:

10 (1) The importance of obtaining legal advice,
11 including a recommendation that the claimant
12 should secure legal counsel.

13 (2) The employment status of any individual
14 listed on the form.

15 (3) If the claim involves a contractor that en-
16 tered into an agreement with the Secretary, the im-
17 portance of obtaining legal advice as to the statute
18 of limitations regarding the claim in the State in
19 which the claim arose.

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