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H. R. 2285

To amend the War Powers Resolution to require the President to develop a post-deployment strategy when introducing the United States Armed Forces into hostilities, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 2011

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign 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 “Post-deployment Strat-
5 egy Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF POST-DEPLOYMENT STRATEGY.**

7 (a) PURPOSE AND POLICY.—Section 2(a) of the War
8 Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541(a)) is amended by

1 striking “circumstances, and to the continued use of such
2 forces in hostilities or in such situations” and inserting
3 “circumstances, to the continued use of such forces in hos-
4 tilities or in such situations, and to the post-deployment
5 strategy described in section 8(d).”.

6 (b) REPORTING.—Section 4(a) of the War Powers
7 Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1543(a)) is amended—

8 (1) in subparagraph (B) by striking “and” at
9 the end;

10 (2) in subparagraph (C) by striking the period
11 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (3) by adding after subparagraph (C) the fol-
13 lowing new subparagraph:

14 “(D) the post-deployment strategy de-
15 scribed in section 8(d).”.

16 (c) INTERPRETATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—Sec-
17 tion 8 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1547)
18 is amended—

19 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
20 section (e); and

21 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
22 lowing new subsection:

23 “(d) For purposes of this joint resolution, the term
24 ‘post-deployment strategy’ means a clear plan of action
25 that—

1 “(1) articulates the interests of the United
2 States at stake;

3 “(2) defines the policy objectives of the United
4 States with respect to such introduction;

5 “(3) lays out a strategy for achieving the policy
6 objectives referred to in paragraph (2); and

7 “(4) includes a plan for withdrawal of United
8 States Armed Forces from such hostilities or such
9 situations based on the achievement of the policy ob-
10 jectives referred to in paragraph (2).”.

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