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H. R. 2996

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

Mr. KISSELL (for himself and Mr. ROE of Tennessee) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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 “Gulf War Syndrome
5 ‘Presumptive Illness’ Extension Act of 2011”.

1 (2) PRESUMPTION.—Section 1118 of such title
2 is amended by adding at the end the following:

3 “(e)(1) For purposes of this section, the Secretary
4 shall treat a veteran described in paragraph (2) as a vet-
5 eran who served on active duty in the Armed Forces in
6 the Southwest Asia theater of operations during the Per-
7 sian Gulf War.

8 “(2) A veteran described in this paragraph is a vet-
9 eran who served on active duty in the Armed Forces dur-
10 ing Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Free-
11 dom, or Operation New Dawn in the Southwest Asia the-
12 ater of operations, Afghanistan, or other location that sup-
13 ported such an operation, as determined by the Sec-
14 retary.”.

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