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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BAUCUS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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## 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 “Enduring Support for  
5 Defenders of Freedom and Their Families Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPROPRIATIONS FOR PAY AND ALLOWANCES AND**  
2 **SUPPORT FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**  
3 **FORCES, THEIR FAMILIES, AND CERTAIN**  
4 **OTHER PERSONNEL CRITICAL TO NATIONAL**  
5 **SECURITY DURING A FUNDING GAP.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—During a funding gap impacting  
7 the Armed Forces and the Department of Homeland Secu-  
8 rity, the Secretary of the Treasury shall make available  
9 to the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Home-  
10 land Security, out of any amounts in the general fund of  
11 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, amounts as fol-  
12 lows:

13 (1) Such amounts as the Secretary of Defense  
14 and the Secretary of Homeland Security determine  
15 to be necessary to continue to provide pay and allow-  
16 ances (without interruption) to the following:

17 (A) Members and dependents of the Army,  
18 the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, the  
19 Coast Guard, including reserve components  
20 thereof, and the U.S. Customs and Border Pro-  
21 tection, who perform active service during the  
22 funding gap.

23 (B) At the discretion of the Secretary of  
24 Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
25 rity, such civilian personnel of the Department  
26 of Defense and the Department of Homeland

1 Security who are providing support to the per-  
2 sonnel referred to in paragraph (1) as the Sec-  
3 retaries consider appropriate.

4 (C) At the discretion of the Secretary of  
5 Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
6 rity, such personnel of contractors of the De-  
7 partment of Defense and the Department of  
8 Homeland Security who are providing direct  
9 support to the personnel referred to in para-  
10 graph (1) as the Secretaries consider appro-  
11 priate.

12 (2) At the discretion of the Secretary of De-  
13 fense and the Secretary Homeland Security, such  
14 amounts as the Secretaries determine to be nec-  
15 essary to continue carrying out programs (and the  
16 pay and allowances of personnel carrying out such  
17 programs) that provide direct support to the mem-  
18 bers of the Armed Forces and the Department of  
19 Homeland Security, including programs as follows:

20 (A) Programs for the support of families,  
21 including child care and family support services.

22 (B) Such programs of the Department of  
23 Defense for the provision of medical treatment  
24 as the Secretary of Defense considers appro-  
25 priate, including programs for the provision of

1           rehabilitative services and counseling for com-  
2           bat injuries (including, but not limited to, Post  
3           Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Trau-  
4           matic Brain Injury (TBI)).

5           (b) FUNDING GAP DEFINED.—In this section, the  
6 term “funding gap” means any period of time after the  
7 beginning of a fiscal year for which interim or full-year  
8 appropriations for the personnel and other applicable ac-  
9 counts of the Armed Forces and the Department of Home-  
10 land Security for that fiscal year have not been enacted.

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