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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Ms. HIRONO) 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 “Access to Contracep-
5 tion Expansion for Veterans Act” or the “ACE Veterans
6 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FULL YEAR SUPPLY OF CONTRACEPTIVE PILLS,**
 2 **TRANSDERMAL PATCHES, VAGINAL RINGS,**
 3 **AND OTHER HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE**
 4 **PRODUCTS.**

5 (a) FULL YEAR SUPPLY.—Subchapter II of chapter
 6 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting
 7 after section 1720J the following new section:

8 **“§ 1720K. Full year supply of contraceptive pills,**
 9 **transdermal patches, vaginal rings, and**
 10 **other hormonal contraceptive products**

11 “(a) REQUEST FOR FULL YEAR SUPPLY.—The Sec-
 12 retary shall ensure that a veteran who is enrolled in the
 13 system of annual patient enrollment of the Department
 14 under section 1705 of this title and who receives a pre-
 15 scription for contraceptive pills, transdermal patches, vag-
 16 inal rings, or other hormonal contraceptive products may,
 17 upon request, fill such prescription as a full year supply.

18 “(b) NOTICE.—A veteran described in subsection (a)
 19 shall be notified of the option for a full year supply de-
 20 scribed in that subsection at the time at which the pre-
 21 scription is issued.”.

22 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 23 at the beginning of such subchapter is amended by insert-
 24 ing after the item relating to section 1720J the following
 25 new item:

“1720K. Full year supply of contraceptive pills, transdermal patches, vaginal rings, and other hormonal contraceptive products .”.

