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H. R. 5680

To transfer the Peace Corps and the Corporation for National and Community Service under the umbrella of an American Volunteering Corporation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KIM of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “American Volunteering
5 Corporation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMERICAN VOLUNTEERING CORPORATION.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established as an
3 independent agency within the executive branch of the
4 Federal Government the American Volunteering Corpora-
5 tion, to coordinate and promote service at all levels across
6 the country and internationally.

7 (b) ADMINISTRATOR.—The American Volunteering
8 Corporation shall be headed by an Administrator of the
9 American Volunteering Corporation who shall be ap-
10 pointed by the President, by and with the advice and con-
11 sent of the Senate.

12 (c) DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS.—There shall
13 be a Director of the Peace Corps and a Deputy Director
14 of the Peace Corps, who shall be appointed by the Presi-
15 dent, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.
16 The Director shall report directly to the Administrator ap-
17 pointed under subsection (b).

18 (d) CEO OF CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND
19 COMMUNITY SERVICE.—There shall be a Chief Executive
20 Officer for National and Community Service, who shall be
21 appointed by the President, by and with the advice and
22 consent of the Senate. The Chief Executive Officer shall
23 report directly to the Administrator appointed under sub-
24 section (b).

25 **SEC. 3. MODIFICATIONS TO PEACE CORPS OPERATIONS.**

26 (a) IN GENERAL.—

1 (1) DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS.—The au-
2 thorities, duties, and responsibilities of the Director
3 of the Peace Corps appointed pursuant to section 4
4 of the Peace Corps Act, as of the day before the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, are transferred as
6 of such date of enactment to the Director of the
7 Peace Corps established under section 2(c) of this
8 Act.

9 (2) PEACE CORPS.—The assets, liabilities, and
10 obligations of the Peace Corps, as of the day before
11 the date of the enactment of this Act, are trans-
12 ferred as of such date to the American Volunteering
13 Corporation established under section 2(a) of this
14 Act.

15 (3) REFERENCES.—Any reference in law or
16 regulation to the “Director of the Peace Corps”, on
17 and after the date of the enactment of this Act, shall
18 be treated as a reference to the Director of the
19 Peace Corps established under section 2(c) of this
20 Act.

21 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The Peace Corps
22 Act (22 U.S.C. 2503) is amended in section 12(c)(3), by
23 inserting “the Administrator of the American Volun-
24 teering Corporation,” after “or their designees,”.

1 **SEC. 4. MODIFICATION TO AMERICORPS OPERATIONS.**

2 (a) CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY
3 SERVICE.—The authorities, duties, and responsibilities of
4 the Corporation for National and Community Service
5 under section 193A of the National and Community Serv-
6 ice Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12651d), as of the day before
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, are transferred as
8 of such date of enactment to the Chief Executive Office
9 for National and Community Service established under
10 section 2(d) of this Act.

11 (b) NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS.—The assets, li-
12 abilities, and obligations of the national service programs
13 under the National and Community Service Act of 1990
14 (42 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.) and the Domestic Volunteer
15 Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.), as of the
16 day before the date of the enactment of this Act, are
17 transferred as of such date to the American Volunteering
18 Corporation established under section 2(a) of this Act.

19 (c) REFERENCES.—Any reference in law or regula-
20 tion to the “Chief Executive Officer for National and
21 Community Service” shall be treated as a reference to the
22 Chief Executive Officer for National and Community Serv-
23 ice established under section 2(d) of this Act.

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