

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9186

To amend title 10, United States Code, to ensure that medical records of the Department of Defense indicate the organizational affiliation of certain health care providers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 30, 2024

Mr. ARRINGTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed Services

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 “Private Smither Act
5 of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. IDENTIFICATION IN PATIENT MEDICAL RECORDS**
2 **OF AFFILIATION OF CERTAIN NON-DEPART-**
3 **MENT OF DEFENSE HEALTH CARE PRO-**
4 **VIDERS.**

5 Chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code, is amend-
6 ed by inserting after section 1091 the following new sec-
7 tion:

8 **“§ 1091a. Identification in patient medical records of**
9 **affiliation of certain non-Department of**
10 **Defense health care providers**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
12 ensure that medical records of the Department of Defense
13 include the organizational affiliation of any covered health
14 care provider identified in such medical records.

15 “(b) COVERED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER DE-
16 FINED.—In this section, the term ‘covered health care pro-
17 vider’ means a health care provider who is not—

18 “(1) a member of the uniformed services;

19 “(2) an employee of the Department of De-
20 fense;

21 “(3) an employee of another agency of the Fed-
22 eral Government detailed to the Department of De-
23 fense;

24 “(4) a personal services contractor under sec-
25 tion 1091 of this title; or

1 “(5) a volunteer under section 1588 of this
2 title.”.

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