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H. R. 1170

To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for expedited access to certain military installations of the Department of Defense for Members of Congress and certain Congressional employees.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 10, 2025

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi 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 “Congressional Access
5 to Military Posts Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPEDITED ACCESS TO CERTAIN MILITARY INSTAL-**
2 **LATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
3 **FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND CERTAIN**
4 **CONGRESSIONAL EMPLOYEES.**

5 Chapter 159 of title 10, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“§ 2698. Expedited access to military installations for**
8 **Members of Congress and certain Con-**
9 **gressional employees**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
11 (b), the Secretary shall establish procedures to ensure
12 that—

13 “(1) a Member of Congress seeking access to a
14 covered installation is granted such access if such
15 Member presents a covered identification card; and

16 “(2) any Congressional employees accom-
17 panying a Member of Congress granted access under
18 paragraph (1) are granted the same access.

19 “(b) PROHIBITED PROCEDURES.—Under such proce-
20 dures, the Secretary may not require a Member of Con-
21 gress to schedule a grant of access to a covered installation
22 under subsection (a) prior to the arrival of such Member
23 and accompanying Congressional employees, if applicable,
24 at such covered installation.

25 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 “(1) The term ‘Congressional employee’ has the
2 meaning given such term in paragraph (5) of section
3 2107 of title 5.

4 “(2) The term ‘covered identification card’
5 means a valid identification badge issued by the ap-
6 propriate office of the House of Representatives or
7 the Senate, as the case may be, which identifies the
8 individual to which such identification badge was
9 issued as a current Member of Congress.

10 “(3) The term ‘covered installation’ means a
11 military installation located in the United States or
12 Guam at which the presentation of an issued De-
13 partment of Defense common access card is the sole
14 requirement for a member of the Armed Forces to
15 be granted access to such military installation.

16 “(4) The term ‘Member of Congress’ means—

17 “(A) a Senator; or

18 “(B) a Representative in, or Delegate or
19 Resident Commissioner to, Congress.”.

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