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# S. 2387

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 12 (legislative day, AUGUST 11), 1994

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. DECONCINI, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. JEFFORDS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## A BILL

To amend the Service Members Occupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992 to permit a period of training under the Act of more than 18 months, and for other purposes.

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. IMPROVEMENTS TO SERVICE MEMBERS OCCU-**  
4 **PATIONAL CONVERSION AND TRAINING ACT**  
5 **OF 1992.**

6 (a) PERIOD OF TRAINING.—

1           (1) ELIMINATION OF 18 MONTH CAP ON PE-  
2           RIOD.—Section 4485(d) of the Service Members Oc-  
3           cupational Conversion and Training Act of 1992 (10  
4           U.S.C. 1143 note) is amended by striking out “or  
5           more than 18 months”.

6           (2) STANDARD FOR WAGES AND BENEFITS.—

7           (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 4486(d)(2) of  
8           such Act (10 U.S.C. 1143 note) is amended by  
9           striking out the period at the end thereof and  
10          inserting in lieu thereof the following: “in the  
11          community during the entire program period of  
12          the eligible person.”.

13          (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment  
14          made by subparagraph (A) shall apply to pro-  
15          grams of training under the Service Members  
16          Occupational Conversion and Training Act of  
17          1992 that are begun on or after the date of the  
18          enactment of this Act.

19          (b) PAYMENTS.—Section 4487(a)(1) of such Act (10  
20          U.S.C. 1143 note) is amended—

21               (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking out “sub-  
22               paragraph (B)” and inserting in lieu thereof “sub-  
23               paragraphs (B), (C), and (D)”; and

24               (2) by adding at the end thereof the following  
25               new subparagraphs:

1       “(C) In determining under the third sentence of sub-  
2 paragraph (A) the amount of the payment which an em-  
3 ployer shall receive on behalf of an eligible person, the  
4 number of hours for which payment will be received may  
5 not exceed the number of hours equivalent to 18 months  
6 of training.

7       “(D) Assistance may be paid under this subtitle on  
8 behalf of an eligible person to that person’s employer for  
9 training under two or more programs of job training under  
10 this subtitle if such employer has not received on that per-  
11 son’s behalf assistance in an aggregate amount in excess  
12 of the applicable amount set forth in subparagraph (B).”.

13       (c) ENTRY INTO PROGRAM OF JOB TRAINING.—Sec-  
14 tion 4488(a) of such Act (106 Stat. 2764; 10 U.S.C. 1143  
15 note) is amended by striking out the third sentence thereof  
16 and inserting in lieu thereof “The eligible person may  
17 begin such program of job training with the employer on  
18 the day that notice is transmitted to such official by means  
19 prescribed by such official. However, assistance under this  
20 subtitle may not be provided to the employer if such offi-  
21 cial, within two weeks after the date on which such notice  
22 is transmitted, disapproves the eligible person’s entry into  
23 that program of job training in accordance with this sec-  
24 tion.”.

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