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To authorize the Secretary of the Army to award the Ranger Tab to veterans of certain service in the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam era.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. D'AMATO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## 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. AWARD OF RANGER TAB FOR CERTAIN SERV-**  
4 **ICE IN VIETNAM.**

5 (a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of the Army may  
6 award the Ranger Tab to any person who is eligible for  
7 the award under subsection (b) and for whom an applica-  
8 tion for the award is submitted in accordance with sub-  
9 section (d).

1 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—A person is eligible for award of  
2 the Ranger Tab under subsection (a) if the person—

3 (1) while serving on active duty in the Army  
4 and—

5 (A) while assigned to the Military Assist-  
6 ance Advisory Group at any time during 1960,  
7 1961, or 1962, or to the Military Assistance  
8 Command Vietnam at any time after 1961 and  
9 before 1974, served for at least 30 consecutive  
10 days in the Republic of Vietnam as an Army  
11 Ranger advisor to one or more Biet Dong-Quan  
12 (BDO) Ranger units of the Army of the Repub-  
13 lic of Vietnam; or

14 (B) while assigned to a unit identified in  
15 a table in subsection (c), served for at least 30  
16 consecutive days in the Republic of Vietnam  
17 during the period specified in that table for  
18 such unit;

19 (2) has been awarded the combat infantryman  
20 badge or the combat medical badge for the service  
21 in such assignment during that period or for service  
22 in the Armed Forces before such service in that as-  
23 signment; and

24 (3) since the beginning of the service in such  
25 assignment—

1 (A) has not been discharged from the  
 2 Armed Forces with a discharge other than an  
 3 honorable discharge; or

4 (B) in the case of a commissioned officer,  
 5 has not been dismissed from the Armed Forces  
 6 and has not been released from active duty with  
 7 a characterization of service in the Armed  
 8 Forces that is less favorable than honorable.

9 (c) UNITS AND PERIODS OF SERVICE.—The units  
 10 and periods of service referred to in subsection (b)(1)(B)  
 11 are as follows:

**Table 1**  
**Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols (LRRPs)**

Unit	Period	
	Beginning	Ending
173d Airborne Brigade (Separate), LRRP (Provisional) .....	May 1, 1965	December 20, 1967
1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	July 1, 1965	January 10, 1968
1st Infantry Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	October 1, 1965	December 20, 1967
1st Cavalry Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	September 1, 1965	December 20, 1967
4th Infantry Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	September 1, 1966	December 20, 1967
9th Infantry Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	January 1, 1967	December 20, 1967
25th Infantry Division, LRRP (Provisional) .....	March 1, 1966	December 20, 1967
196th Infantry Brigade (Separate), LRRP (Provisional) .....	January 1, 1967	December 20, 1967.

**Table 2**  
**Long Range Patrol (LRP) Companies and Detachments**

Unit	Period	
	Beginning	Ending
Company E, 20th Infantry (LRP) .....	September 25, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company F, 51st Infantry (LRP) .....	September 25, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company D, 151st Infantry (LRP) .....	December 26, 1968	February 1, 1969
Company E, 50th Infantry (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company F, 50th Infantry (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969

**Table 2—Continued**  
**Long Range Patrol (LRP) Companies and Detachments**

Unit	Period	
	Beginning	Ending
Company E, 51st Infantry (LRP) .....	December 12, 1968	February 1, 1969
Company E, 52nd Infantry (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company F, 52nd Infantry (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company E, 58th Infantry (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
Company F, 58th Infantry (LRP) .....	January 10, 1968	February 1, 1969
71st Infantry Detachment (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
74th Infantry Detachment (LRP) .....	December 20, 1967	February 1, 1969
78th Infantry Detachment (LRP) .....	December 15, 1968	February 1, 1969
79th Infantry Detachment (LRP) .....	December 15, 1968	February 1, 1969.

**Table 3**  
**Ranger Companies**

Unit	Period	
	Beginning	Ending
Company C, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	October 25, 1971
Company D, (Ranger), 151st Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	November 20, 1971
Company D, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	November 20, 1969	April 10, 1970
Company E, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	October 12, 1970
Company F, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	March 15, 1971
Company G, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	October 1, 1971
Company H, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	August 15, 1972
Company I, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	April 7, 1970
Company K, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	December 10, 1970
Company L, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	December 26, 1970
Company M, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	October 12, 1970
Company N, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	August 25, 1971
Company O, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	November 20, 1969
Company P, (Ranger), 75th Infantry .....	February 1, 1969	August 31, 1971.

1           (d) APPLICATION REQUIRED.—(1) To receive a  
2 Ranger Tab under the authority of subsection (a), a per-  
3 son shall submit to the Secretary of the Army a written  
4 application together with detailed information and docu-

1 mentation demonstrating eligibility for the award. An ap-  
2 plication may be submitted on behalf of a person by any  
3 other person.

4 (2) The Secretary of the Army shall prescribe in reg-  
5 ulations—

6 (A) the form and the manner for submission of  
7 the application required under paragraph (1); and

8 (B) the information and documentation that the  
9 Secretary considers necessary to demonstrate eligi-  
10 bility for award of the Ranger Tab under subsection  
11 (b).

12 (e) ACTIVE DUTY DEFINED.—In this section, the  
13 term “active duty” has the meaning given such term in  
14 section 101(d)(1) of title 10, United States Code.

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