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To require reimbursement for non-TRICARE health insurance premiums paid by certain members of reserve components during the period the members were not eligible for TRICARE coverage.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2005

Ms. HERSETH (for herself, Mr. ROSS, Mr. FORD, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Mr. HASTINGS of Florida) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REIMBURSEMENT FOR NON-TRICARE HEALTH**
2 **INSURANCE PREMIUMS PAID BY CERTAIN**
3 **MEMBERS OF RESERVE COMPONENTS DUR-**
4 **ING PERIOD NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TRICARE**
5 **COVERAGE.**

6 Section 701 of the Ronald W. Reagan National De-
7 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (Public Law
8 108–375; 118 Stat. 1980) is amended by adding at the
9 end the following new subsection:

10 “(c) REIMBURSEMENT FOR NON-TRICARE HEALTH
11 INSURANCE PREMIUMS PAID BY CERTAIN MEMBERS OF
12 RESERVE COMPONENTS DURING PERIOD NOT ELIGIBLE
13 FOR CERTAIN TRICARE COVERAGE.—

14 “(1) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of De-
15 fense shall reimburse any member of a reserve com-
16 ponent of the Armed Forces who enters into an
17 agreement described in section 1076d(a)(2) of title
18 10, United States Code, pursuant to subsection
19 (b)(2)(A) of this section, in the amount and for the
20 period described in paragraphs (2) and (3).

21 “(2) AMOUNT.—The amount that a member of
22 a reserve component may be reimbursed under para-
23 graph (1) is—

24 “(A) the amount (if any) paid by the mem-
25 ber for health insurance premiums during the
26 period described in paragraph (3), reduced by

1 “(B) the amount the member would have
2 paid in premiums for TRICARE Standard for
3 coverage of the same persons during the same
4 period if the member had been covered by
5 TRICARE Standard under section 1976d of
6 title 10, United States Code.

7 “(3) PERIOD OF REIMBURSEMENT.—The period
8 for which a member of a reserve component may be
9 reimbursed under paragraph (1) is the period—

10 “(A) beginning on the date of the expira-
11 tion of the member’s entitlement to care and
12 benefits under section 1145(a) of title 10,
13 United States Code, as described in section
14 1076d of such title; and

15 “(B) ending on the date when TRICARE
16 Standard coverage begins pursuant to sub-
17 section (b)(2)(A) of this section.”.

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