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# H. R. 3693

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the reimbursement of continuing professional education expenses for health care professionals of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2021

Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself and Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Department of Vet-  
5       erans Affairs Continuing Professional Education Mod-  
6       ernization Act” or the “VA CPE Modernization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENT TO REIMBURSEMENT OF CON-**  
2 **TINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION EX-**  
3 **PENSES FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**  
4 **OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

5 (a) REIMBURSEMENT.—Section 7411 of title 38,  
6 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 **“§ 7411. Reimbursement of continuing professional**  
8 **education expenses**

9 “(a) REIMBURSEMENT.—The Secretary shall reim-  
10 burse a full-time health care professional of the Depart-  
11 ment for expenses incurred for continuing professional  
12 education in amounts as follows:

13 “(1) With respect to a physician or dentist ap-  
14 pointed under section 7401(1) of this title, not more  
15 than \$4,000 per year.

16 “(2) With respect to an individual appointed to  
17 a position listed in section 7401(1) that is not cov-  
18 ered by paragraph (1), not more than \$2,000 per  
19 year.

20 “(3) With respect to an individual appointed to  
21 a position listed in section 7401(3), not more than  
22 \$2,000 per year.

23 “(b) ADJUSTMENT.—The Secretary may from time  
24 to time adjust the dollar amounts specified in subsection  
25 (a) based upon inflation.”.

1       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
2 at the beginning of chapter 74 of such title is amended  
3 by striking the item relating to section 7411 and inserting  
4 the following new item:

“7411. Reimbursement of continuing professional education expenses.”.

