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# H. R. 5783

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 28, 2021

Mr. MANN (for himself and Mr. PAPPAS) 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 “Reaching Every Home-  
5 less Veteran Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS REINTEGRA-**  
7 **TION PROGRAMS.**

8 (a) GRANTS.—Section 2021 of title 38, United States  
9 Code, is amended—

1           (1) by redesignating subsections (b) through (e)  
2           as subsections (c) through (f), respectively; and

3           (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-  
4           lowing new subsection:

5           “(b) GRANTS.—(1) In awarding grants for purposes  
6 of conducting programs described in subsection (a), the  
7 Secretary of Labor shall, to the extent practicable, con-  
8 sider applications for fundable grants from entities in all  
9 States.

10          “(2) In each State in which no entity has been award-  
11 ed a grant described in paragraph (1) as of the date of  
12 the enactment of the Reaching Every Homeless Veteran  
13 Act of 2021, the Secretary of Labor shall, in coordination  
14 with the Director of Veterans’ Employment and Training  
15 assigned to the State under section 4103 of this title, or-  
16 ganize and conduct an outreach and education program  
17 to ensure communities are aware of the programs con-  
18 ducted under this section and the benefits of the pro-  
19 grams.”.

20          (b) CONTENTS OF BIENNIAL REPORT TO CON-  
21 GRESS.—Subsection (e) of section 2021 of such title, as  
22 redesignated by subsection (a)(1), is amended—

23           (1) by inserting “(1)” before “Not less”; and

24           (2) by striking the second sentence and insert-  
25           ing the following:

1       “(2) The Secretary of Labor shall include in each re-  
2 port submitted under paragraph (1) the following:

3               “(A) An evaluation of services furnished to vet-  
4 erans under this section.

5               “(B) An analysis of the information collected  
6 under subsection (c).

7               “(C) An identification of—

8                       “(i) the total number of applications for  
9 grants under this section that the Secretary re-  
10 ceived during the fiscal year preceding the date  
11 on which the report is submitted; and

12                      “(ii) the number of such applications that  
13 were denied.

14               “(D) With respect to each State in which no  
15 entity was awarded a grant under this section dur-  
16 ing the fiscal year preceding the date on which the  
17 report is submitted—

18                      “(i) an identification of the top five rea-  
19 sons why entities that applied for such a grant  
20 were not awarded the grant; and

21                      “(ii) information regarding the specific cri-  
22 teria used to score the applications and an ex-  
23 planation of if, how, or why such criteria dif-  
24 fered from the previous fiscal year.”.

1       (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2021A(e)  
2 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking  
3 “section 2021(d)” and inserting “section 2021(e)”.

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