117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 5074

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

August 23, 2021

Mr. GIMENEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. PROHIBITION ON GOVERNMENT FEES FOR
2	EVACUATING UNITED STATES PERSONS
3	FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES DUE TO EMER-
4	GENCY SITUATIONS OF A MILITARY NATURE.
5	(a) Sense of Congress.—It is the sense of Con-
6	gress that all United States citizens behind enemy lines
7	should be rescued to the best ability of the United States
8	Armed Forces.
9	(b) Prohibition on Charge for Evacuation.—
0	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no Federal
1	department or agency of the United States may charge
2	any individual who is a citizen or lawful permanent resi-
3	dent of the United States a fee in exchange for providing
4	the individual with an evacuation from a foreign country
5	due to an emergency situation of a military nature.