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# H. R. 8347

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 13, 2022

Mr. BACON introduced the following bill; which was 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Overseas Military Pay  
5 Protection Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. OCONUS COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE: ADJUST-**  
7 **MENTS; NOTICE TO CERTAIN CONGRES-**  
8 **SIONAL COMMITTEES.**

9 (a) ADJUSTMENTS.—

1           (1) REDUCTIONS: LIMITATION.—The Secretary  
2           of Defense and the Secretary of the Department in  
3           which the Coast Guard is operating may not reduce  
4           the cost-of-living allowance for a member of the  
5           Armed Forces assigned to a duty station located  
6           outside the United States except in connection with  
7           a permanent change of station for such member.

8           (2) INCREASES.—The Secretary of Defense and  
9           the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast  
10          Guard is operating may increase the allowance de-  
11          scribed in paragraph (1) for a member of the Armed  
12          Forces at any time.

13          (b) NOTICE TO CERTAIN CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
14          TEES.—The Secretary of Defense shall notify the appro-  
15          priate congressional committees not less than 180 days be-  
16          fore modifying a table used to calculate the living allow-  
17          ance described in subsection (a).

18          (c) BRIEFING.—Not later than March 1, 2023, the  
19          Secretary of Defense shall brief the Committees on Armed  
20          Services of the Senate and House of Representatives re-  
21          garding effects of this section on the allowance described  
22          in subsection (a).

23          (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
24          DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
25          gressional committees” means the following:

1           (1) The Committee on Armed Services of the  
2       Senate.

3           (2) The Committees on Armed Services of the  
4       House of Representatives.

5           (3) The Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
6       Transportation of the Senate.

7           (4) The Committee on Transportation and In-  
8       frastructure of the House of Representatives.

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