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|              | TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R.   |
| ŗ            | Γο amend title 38, United States Code, to establish new, and terminate certain, advisory committees of the Department of Veterans Affairs. |
|              | IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  |
| ${ m M}_{-}$ | introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on  |
|              | A BILL   |
| То           | amend title 38, United States Code, to establish new, and terminate certain, advisory committees of the Department of Veterans Affairs.    |
| 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 "Veterans Affairs Advi-   |

5 sory Committee Oversight Act of 2025".

| 1  | SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEES           |
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| 2  | OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-                          |
| 3  | FAIRS.   |
| 4  | Subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 38, United States     |
| 5  | Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new    |
| 6  | sections (and amending the table of sections at the begin- |
| 7  | ning of such chapter accordingly):                         |
| 8  | "§ 549. Veterans Health Advisory Committee                 |
| 9  | "(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Department             |
| 10 | an advisory committee to be known as the 'Veterans         |
| 11 | Health Advisory Committee' (in this section referred to    |
| 12 | as the 'Committee').                                       |
| 13 | "(b) Membership; Terms; Chair.—(1) The Sec-                |
| 14 | retary shall appoint the members of the Committee, in-     |
| 15 | cluding the following:                                     |
| 16 | "(A) A veteran who uses prosthetic or rehabili-            |
| 17 | tative health care services of the Department.             |
| 18 | "(B) An individual with expertise in prosthetics           |
| 19 | or rehabilitative health care for disabled veterans.       |
| 20 | "(C) An individual with expertise in geriatrics            |
| 21 | or gerontology, including long-term care for vet-          |
| 22 | erans.   |
| 23 | "(D) An individual with expertise in environ-              |
| 24 | mental health or toxic exposures described in sub-         |
| 25 | chapter VII of chapter 11 of this title.                   |

| 1  | "(E) An individual with expertise in mental              |
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| 2  | health or readjustment counseling for veterans.          |
| 3  | "(F) A representative of a veterans service or-          |
| 4  | ganization, recognized under section 5902 of this        |
| 5  | title, that represents disabled or aging veterans.       |
| 6  | "(G) Other individuals the Secretary determines          |
| 7  | appropriate to ensure various perspectives on vet-       |
| 8  | erans' needs for health care, across regions and pop-    |
| 9  | ulations.  |
| 10 | "(2) Members of the Committee shall be appointed         |
| 11 | for staggered terms of two years and may be reappointed. |
| 12 | "(3) The Secretary shall designate one member of the     |
| 13 | Commission to serve as Chair.                            |
| 14 | "(c) Functions.—The functions of the Committee           |
| 15 | are the following:                                       |
| 16 | "(1) To advise the Under Secretary for Health            |
| 17 | regarding policies and programs of the Department        |
| 18 | related to health care for veterans with specialized     |
| 19 | health care needs, including prosthetics and other       |
| 20 | special disabilities programs, rehabilitative services,  |
| 21 | and long-term care for elderly veterans.                 |
| 22 | "(2) To assess the efficacy of, and recommend            |
| 23 | improvements to, health care furnished by the Sec-       |
| 24 | retary relating to a new veteran's readjustment to       |

| 1  | civilian life, including mental health counseling and     |
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| 2  | outreach programs.  |
| 3  | "(3) To evaluate the programs of the Depart-              |
| 4  | ment that relate to health conditions related to envi-    |
| 5  | ronmental or toxic exposures, and to advise on            |
| 6  | emerging health hazards and appropriate responses.        |
| 7  | "(4) To review the coordination of prosthetic             |
| 8  | and rehabilitative research and development initia-       |
| 9  | tives within the Department and with external part-       |
| 10 | ners, and to recommend ways to enhance innovation         |
| 11 | and information exchange.                                 |
| 12 | "(5) To identify gaps in health care furnished            |
| 13 | by the Secretary for a disabled, ill, or aging veteran,   |
| 14 | and propose strategies to improve the quality, acces-     |
| 15 | sibility, and equity of such health care.                 |
| 16 | "(d) Reports.—(1) Not later than July 1 of each           |
| 17 | year, the Committee shall submit to the Under Secretary   |
| 18 | for Health a report summarizing its activities, findings, |
| 19 | and recommendations under subsection (c). Each such re-   |
| 20 | port shall include the following:                         |
| 21 | "(A) An review and assessment of the hospital             |
| 22 | care and medical services furnished by the Sec-           |
| 23 | retary, including such care and services for veterans     |
| 24 | with disabilities, geriatric and aging veterans, and      |
| 25 | veterans exposed to environmental hazards.                |

| 1  | "(B) Recommendations for administrative or                  |
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| 2  | legislative action that the Committee determines ap-        |
| 3  | propriate.  |
| 4  | "(2) Not later than 90 days after receiving each re-        |
| 5  | port under this subsection, the Under Secretary for         |
| 6  | Health shall submit the report, together with the Under     |
| 7  | Secretary's comments and recommendations, to the Sec-       |
| 8  | retary. The Secretary shall submit all such documents to    |
| 9  | the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and       |
| 10 | House of Representatives.                                   |
| 11 | "(e) Administrative Matters.—(1) The Secretary              |
| 12 | shall provide such staff, information, and administrative   |
| 13 | services as necessary for the Committee to carry out its    |
| 14 | functions.  |
| 15 | "(2) Members of the Committee shall serve without           |
| 16 | compensation, but shall be entitled to travel expenses, in- |
| 17 | cluding per diem in lieu of subsistence, when engaged in    |
| 18 | the performance of Committee duties, as authorized by       |
| 19 | section 5703 of title 5.                                    |
| 20 | "(3) The Committee shall meet at the call of the            |
| 21 | Chair or the Under Secretary for Health, but not less fre-  |
| 22 | quently than quarterly each fiscal year.                    |
| 23 | "(f) Termination.—Unless renewed pursuant to                |
| 24 | section $14$ of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5       |
| 25 | U.S.C. App.), the Committee shall terminate not later       |

| 1  | than September 30, 2028. The Secretary may terminate     |
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| 2  | the Committee at any time before such date.              |
| 3  | "§ 550. Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transi-        |
| 4  | tion Advisory Committee                                  |
| 5  | "(a) Establishment.—There is established in the          |
| 6  | Department an advisory committee to be known as the      |
| 7  | 'Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Advisory   |
| 8  | Committee' (in this section referred to as the 'Com-     |
| 9  | mittee').  |
| 10 | "(b) Membership; Terms; Chair.—(1) The Sec-              |
| 11 | retary shall appoint members of the Committee, including |
| 12 | the following:   |
| 13 | "(A) An individual with expertise in educational         |
| 14 | benefits and programs under this title.                  |
| 15 | "(B) A representative of an institution of high-         |
| 16 | er education or training program that serves vet-        |
| 17 | erans.   |
| 18 | "(C) An individual with expertise in employ-             |
| 19 | ment and job training programs for veterans.             |
| 20 | "(D) An individual with experience in hiring or          |
| 21 | training veterans.                                       |
| 22 | "(E) A veteran who separated from active mili-           |
| 23 | tary, naval, air, or space service less than 10 years    |
| 24 | before being appointed under this subsection.            |

| 1  | "(F) An individual who was a homeless veteran          |
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| 2  | or an advocate for veterans' homelessness prevention   |
| 3  | and recovery programs.                                 |
| 4  | "(G) Other individuals the Secretary determines        |
| 5  | appropriate.   |
| 6  | "(2) The term of a member appointed under para-        |
| 7  | graph (1) shall be two years, staggered to ensure con- |
| 8  | tinuity. A member may be reappointed.                  |
| 9  | "(3) The Secretary shall designate one member of the   |
| 10 | Committee to serve as Chair.                           |
| 11 | "(c) Functions.—The functions of the Committee         |
| 12 | are the following:                                     |
| 13 | "(1) To advise the Under Secretary for Bene-           |
| 14 | fits regarding the effectiveness of the educational    |
| 15 | benefits, vocational rehabilitation, employment as-    |
| 16 | sistance, and transition services furnished by the     |
| 17 | Secretary in enabling veterans to successfully read-   |
| 18 | just to civilian life and achieve economic stability.  |
| 19 | "(2) To assemble and review information on the         |
| 20 | needs of veterans in readjusting to civilian employ-   |
| 21 | ment, higher education, and job training. Such infor-  |
| 22 | mation shall include identified barriers that veterans |
| 23 | (including women, minority, and economically dis-      |
| 24 | advantaged veterans) face in such readjustment.        |

| 1  | "(3) To assess the effectiveness of the edu-                |
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| 2  | cational benefits, vocational training, job placement,      |
| 3  | and entrepreneurship training furnished by the Sec-         |
| 4  | retary in improving economic opportunities for vet-         |
| 5  | erans.  |
| 6  | "(4) To advise the Under Secretary regarding                |
| 7  | means to improve interagency coordination and part-         |
| 8  | nership between the Department and other Federal,           |
| 9  | State, and local entities to promote employment,            |
| 10 | skills training, and financial stability for veterans.      |
| 11 | "(5) To identify and recommend strategies (in-              |
| 12 | cluding early intervention, supportive services, and        |
| 13 | employer outreach) to assist veterans at risk of            |
| 14 | homelessness or unemployment.                               |
| 15 | "(d) Reports.—(1) Not later than March 31 of each           |
| 16 | year, the Committee shall submit to the Under Secretary     |
| 17 | a report on the programs and activities of the Department   |
| 18 | that relate to the issues of transition, education, employ- |
| 19 | ment, and economic opportunity for veterans. Each such      |
| 20 | report shall include the following, with regards to such    |
| 21 | issues:   |
| 22 | "(A) An assessment of the unmet needs of vet-               |
| 23 | erans.  |
| 24 | "(B) A review and evaluation of programs of                 |
| 25 | the Department designed to meet such needs.                 |

| 1  | "(C) A summary of the activities of the Com-                |
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| 2  | mittee during the preceding year.                           |
| 3  | "(D) Recommendations for administrative or                  |
| 4  | legislative action that the Committee determines ap-        |
| 5  | propriate.  |
| 6  | "(2) Not later than 90 days after receiving each re-        |
| 7  | port under this subsection, the Under Secretary shall sub-  |
| 8  | mit the report, together with the Under Secretary's com-    |
| 9  | ments and recommendations, to the Secretary. The Sec-       |
| 10 | retary shall submit all such documents to the Committees    |
| 11 | on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Rep-        |
| 12 | resentatives,   |
| 13 | "(e) Administrative Matters.—(1) The Secretary              |
| 14 | shall provide such staff support, information, and adminis- |
| 15 | trative services as necessary for the Committee to carry    |
| 16 | out its responsibilities.                                   |
| 17 | "(2) Members of the Committee shall serve without           |
| 18 | compensation, but may be reimbursed for travel expenses     |
| 19 | and per diem in lieu of subsistence in accordance with sec- |
| 20 | tion 5703 of title 5.                                       |
| 21 | "(3) The Committee shall meet at the call of the            |
| 22 | Chair or the Under Secretary for Benefits, but not less     |
| 23 | frequently than twice each year.                            |
| 24 | "(f) Termination.—Unless renewed pursuant to                |
| 25 | section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5         |

| 1  | U.S.C. App.), the Committee shall terminate not later      |
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| 2  | than September 30, 2028. The Secretary may terminate       |
| 3  | the Committee at any time before such date.                |
| 4  | "§ 551. Advisory Committee on Veterans Special Pop-        |
| 5  | ulations   |
| 6  | "(a) Establishment.—There is established in the            |
| 7  | Department an advisory committee to be known as the        |
| 8  | 'Advisory Committee on Veterans Special Populations' (in   |
| 9  | this section referred to as the 'Committee').              |
| 10 | "(b) Membership; Terms; Chair.—(1) The Com-                |
| 11 | mittee shall consist of members appointed by the Sec-      |
| 12 | retary for their expertise regarding the needs of histori- |
| 13 | cally underserved veteran communities. Members shall in-   |
| 14 | clude the following:                                       |
| 15 | "(A) Not fewer than two women veterans, rep-               |
| 16 | resenting different service eras.                          |
| 17 | "(B) Not fewer than two veterans from, and                 |
| 18 | with experience advocating for veterans from, the          |
| 19 | outlying areas of the United States or the Freely As-      |
| 20 | sociated States (including American Samoa, Guam,           |
| 21 | the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the             |
| 22 | U.S. Virgin Islands, the Federated States of Micro-        |
| 23 | nesia, the Marshall Islands, and Palau).                   |

| 1  | "(C) Individuals who are recognized authorities            |
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| 2  | on issues affecting minority veteran populations, in-      |
| 3  | cluding—   |
| 4  | "(i) at least one individual with expertise                |
| 5  | in health care or benefits for women veterans;             |
| 6  | and  |
| 7  | "(ii) at least one individual with expertise               |
| 8  | in issues regarding veterans in tribal or insular          |
| 9  | area communities.  |
| 10 | "(D) Such other members the Secretary deter-               |
| 11 | mines appropriate.   |
| 12 | "(2) The term of a member appointed under para-            |
| 13 | graph (1) shall be two years, staggered to ensure con-     |
| 14 | tinuity. A member may be reappointed.                      |
| 15 | "(3) In addition to members appointed under para-          |
| 16 | graph (1), the Committee shall include, as ex officio mem- |
| 17 | bers, the following officials (or their designees):        |
| 18 | "(A) The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tribal             |
| 19 | Government Relations.                                      |
| 20 | "(B) The Director of the Center for Women                  |
| 21 | Veterans of the Department.                                |
| 22 | "(C) The Director of the Center for Minority               |
| 23 | Veterans of the Department.                                |
| 24 | "(4) The Secretary shall designate one member of the       |
| 25 | Committee to serve as the Chair.                           |

| 1  | "(c) Functions.—The functions of the Committee        |
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| 2  | include the following:                                |
| 3  | "(1) To advise the Secretary on the administra-       |
| 4  | tion of benefits and services for veterans who are    |
| 5  | members of populations that have been historically    |
| 6  | underserved, under-represented, or faced unique bar-  |
| 7  | riers to access.                                      |
| 8  | "(2) To assess the needs of such veterans with        |
| 9  | respect to compensation, health care, mental health,  |
| 10 | rehabilitation, outreach, and other benefits and pro- |
| 11 | grams administered by the Secretary,                  |
| 12 | "(3) To evaluate the extent to which programs         |
| 13 | of the Department meeting needs described in para-    |
| 14 | graph (2).  |
| 15 | "(4) To review and make recommendations re-           |
| 16 | garding reports, studies, and program data per-       |
| 17 | taining to the experience of such veterans, including |
| 18 | trends in health outcomes, benefit usage rates, and   |
| 19 | disparities in access or quality of services.         |
| 20 | "(5) To examine and make recommendations to           |
| 21 | outreach activities of the Department and strategies  |
| 22 | for engaging with veterans in such communities.       |
| 23 | "(6) To advise on the effectiveness of offices        |
| 24 | and programs of the Department that are specifi-      |
| 25 | cally charged with assisting such veterans (including |

| 1  | the Center for Women Veterans, the Center for Mi-           |
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| 2  | nority Veterans, and the Office of Tribal Govern-           |
| 3  | ment Relations).  |
| 4  | "(d) Reports.—(1) Not later than July 1 of each             |
| 5  | year, the Committee shall submit to the Secretary a report  |
| 6  | on the programs and activities of the Department during     |
| 7  | the preceding year. Each such report shall include the fol- |
| 8  | lowing:   |
| 9  | "(A) An assessment of the needs of such vet-                |
| 10 | erans for benefits and services furnished by the Sec-       |
| 11 | retary.   |
| 12 | "(B) A review and evaluation of the programs,               |
| 13 | activities, and research initiatives of the Department      |
| 14 | designed to meet such needs.                                |
| 15 | "(C) Recommendations for administrative or                  |
| 16 | legislative action that the Committee determines ap-        |
| 17 | propriate.  |
| 18 | "(2) Not later than 90 days after receiving each re-        |
| 19 | port under this subsection, the Under Secretary for         |
| 20 | Health shall submit the report, together with the Under     |
| 21 | Secretary's comments and recommendations, to the Sec-       |
| 22 | retary. The Secretary shall submit all such documents to    |
| 23 | the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and       |
| 24 | House of Representatives.                                   |

- 1 "(e) Administrative Matters.—(1) The Secretary
- 2 shall provide such staff, data, and administrative support
- 3 to the Committee as necessary for the Committee to carry
- 4 out its duties.
- 5 "(2) Members of the Committee shall serve without
- 6 pay, but shall receive travel expenses and per diem for any
- 7 travel performed in the course of service on the Com-
- 8 mittee, in accordance with section 5703 of title 5.
- 9 "(3) The Committee shall meet at the call of the
- 10 Chair or the Secretary, but not less frequently than twice
- 11 per year. Meetings may be conducted in person or through
- 12 electronic means, as the Secretary deems appropriate.
- 13 "(f) Termination.—Unless renewed pursuant to
- 14 section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
- 15 U.S.C. App.), the Committee shall terminate not later
- 16 than September 30, 2028. The Secretary may terminate
- 17 the Committee at any time before such date.
- 18 "§ 552. Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of
- War, Compensation, and Memorial Affairs
- 20 "(a) Establishment.—There is established in the
- 21 Department of Veterans Affairs an advisory committee to
- 22 be known as the 'Advisory Committee on Former Pris-
- 23 oners of War, Compensation, and Memorial Affairs' (in
- 24 this section referred to as the 'Committee').

| 1  | "(b) Membership; Terms; Chair.—(1) Members of            |
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| 2  | the Committee shall be appointed by the Secretary and    |
| 3  | shall include the following:                             |
| 4  | "(A) A veteran who is a former prisoner of war,          |
| 5  | or a family member or advocates for former pris-         |
| 6  | oners of war (hereinafter, 'POWs'), to provide in-       |
| 7  | sight into the experiences and needs of such vet-        |
| 8  | erans.   |
| 9  | "(B) Individuals who are recognized authorities          |
| 10 | in fields relevant to disabilities prevalent among       |
| 11 | former POWs, such as epidemiology, mental health,        |
| 12 | nutrition, geriatrics, or internal medicine;             |
| 13 | "(C) Representatives of veterans with service-           |
| 14 | connected disabilities and experts in veterans dis-      |
| 15 | ability compensation policy.                             |
| 16 | "(D) Individuals with expertise in memorial af-          |
| 17 | fairs, funeral services, or military or veteran burials. |
| 18 | "(E) Such other individuals the Secretary de-            |
| 19 | termines appropriate to ensure a comprehensive rep-      |
| 20 | resentation of perspectives on compensation, POW         |
| 21 | issues, and memorial matters.                            |
| 22 | "(2) The term of a member appointed under para-          |
| 23 | graph (1) shall be two years, staggered to ensure con-   |
| 24 | tinuity. A member may be reappointed.                    |

| 1  | "(3) The Secretary shall designate one member of the  |
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| 2  | Committee to serve as the Chair.                      |
| 3  | "(c) Functions.—The functions of the Committee        |
| 4  | are the following:                                    |
| 5  | "(1) To advise the Secretary on the administra-       |
| 6  | tion and adequacy of benefits for disabled veterans,  |
| 7  | including compensation and the schedule for rating    |
| 8  | disabilities.   |
| 9  | "(2) To assess the needs of veterans who are          |
| 10 | former POWs (including disability compensation,       |
| 11 | health care, and rehabilitation) and to evaluate the  |
| 12 | programs and policies of the Department meant to      |
| 13 | address such needs (including presumptions of serv-   |
| 14 | ice connection for former POWs, the provision of      |
| 15 | specialized health care (including mental health      |
| 16 | care) to such veterans, and outreach efforts to en-   |
| 17 | sure former POWs are aware of and receiving bene-     |
| 18 | fits).  |
| 19 | "(3) To advise the Secretary on the administra-       |
| 20 | tion of burial benefits and memorial programs for     |
| 21 | veterans and their eligible family members, including |
| 22 | policies on burial allowances, headstones or markers, |
| 23 | and the operation of national cemeteries.             |
| 24 | "(4) The review and make recommendations re-          |
| 25 | garding the services and plans of the National Cem-   |

| 1  | etery Administration to address the needs of vet-           |
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| 2  | erans and survivors.  |
| 3  | "(5) To assess and make recommendations re-                 |
| 4  | garding the effectiveness of the programs of the De-        |
| 5  | partment that commemorate and honor the service             |
| 6  | and sacrifices of veterans and their families, (includ-     |
| 7  | ing the maintenance of cemeteries, availability of          |
| 8  | gravesites, and memorial tributes for under-recog-          |
| 9  | nized groups of veterans).                                  |
| 10 | "(6) To identify and make recommendations re-               |
| 11 | garding legislative or administrative barriers that         |
| 12 | hinder the ability of the Secretary to promptly and         |
| 13 | fairly compensate veterans for service-connected dis-       |
| 14 | abilities or to provide appropriate memorial benefits.      |
| 15 | "(d) Reports.—(1) Not later than July 1 of each             |
| 16 | year, the Committee shall submit to the Secretary a report  |
| 17 | on the programs and activities of the Department during     |
| 18 | the preceding year. Each such report shall include the fol- |
| 19 | lowing:   |
| 20 | "(A) An assessment of the needs of veterans                 |
| 21 | and their survivors for disability compensation, in-        |
| 22 | cluding an evaluation of whether the current com-           |
| 23 | pensation structure (such as the rating schedule and        |
| 24 | ancillary benefits) adequately compensates veterans         |
| 25 | for the loss of earning capacity and quality of life.       |

| 1  | "(B) An assessment of the specific needs of                 |
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| 2  | former POWs for compensation, health care, and re-          |
| 3  | habilitation.   |
| 4  | "(C) An assessment of needs related to burial               |
| 5  | and memorial services for veterans and their fami-          |
| 6  | lies.   |
| 7  | "(D) An assessment review of the programs                   |
| 8  | and policies of the Department that address issues          |
| 9  | related to functions described in subsection (c).           |
| 10 | "(E) Recommendations for administrative or                  |
| 11 | legislative action that the Committee determines ap-        |
| 12 | propriate.  |
| 13 | "(2) Not later than 90 days after receiving each re-        |
| 14 | port under this subsection, the Under Secretary for         |
| 15 | Health shall submit the report, together with the Under     |
| 16 | Secretary's comments and recommendations, to the Sec-       |
| 17 | retary. The Secretary shall submit all such documents to    |
| 18 | the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and       |
| 19 | House of Representatives.                                   |
| 20 | "(e) Administrative Matters.—(1) The Secretary              |
| 21 | shall provide such staff, data, and administrative support  |
| 22 | to the Committee as necessary for the Committee to carry    |
| 23 | out its duties.   |
| 24 | "(2) Members of the Committee shall serve without           |
| 25 | pay, but shall receive travel expenses and per diem for any |

- 1 travel performed in the course of service on the Com-
- 2 mittee, in accordance with section 5703 of title 5.
- 3 "(3) The Committee shall meet at the call of the
- 4 Chair or the Secretary, but not less frequently than twice
- 5 per year. Meetings may be conducted in person or through
- 6 electronic means, as the Secretary deems appropriate.
- 7 "(f) Termination.—Unless renewed pursuant to
- 8 section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
- 9 U.S.C. App.), the Committee shall terminate not later
- 10 than September 30, 2028. The Secretary may terminate
- 11 the Committee at any time before such date.".
- 12 SEC. 3. TERMINATION DATES OF CERTAIN ADVISORY COM-
- 13 MITTEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VET-
- 14 ERANS AFFAIRS.
- 15 (a) Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners
- 16 OF WAR.—Section 541 of title 38, United States Code,
- 17 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 18 section:
- 19 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 20 30, 2026.".
- 21 (b) Advisory Committee on Women Veterans.—
- 22 Section 542 of title 38, United States Code, is amended
- 23 by adding at the end the following new subsection:
- 24 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 25 30, 2026.".

- 1 (c) Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and
- 2 Special-Disabilities Programs.—Section 543 of title
- 3 38, United States Code, is amended by striking subsection
- 4 (d) and inserting the following new subsection:
- 5 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 6 30, 2026.".
- 7 (d) Advisory Committee on the Readjustment
- 8 OF VETERANS.—Section 545 of title 38, United States
- 9 Code, is amended by striking subsection (d) and inserting
- 10 the following new subsection:
- 11 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 12 30, 2026.".
- (e) Advisory Committee on Disability Com-
- 14 PENSATION.—Section 546 of title 38, United States Code,
- 15 is amended by striking subsection (f) and inserting the
- 16 following new subsection:
- 17 "(f) Termination.—The Committee shall terminate
- 18 on September 30, 2026.".
- 19 (f) Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian
- 20 Affairs.—Section 547 of title 38, United States Code,
- 21 is amended by striking subsection (i) and inserting the fol-
- 22 lowing new subsection:
- 23 "(i) TERMINATION.—The Committee shall terminate
- 24 on September 30, 2026.".

- 1 (g) Advisory Committee on United States Out-
- 2 Lying Areas and Freely Associated States.—Sec-
- 3 tion 548(k) of title 38, United States Code, is amended
- 4 by striking "the date that is 10 years after the date of
- 5 the enactment of this section" and inserting "September
- 6 30, 2026".
- 7 (h) Advisory Committee on Cemeteries and
- 8 Memorials.—Section 2401 of title 38, United States
- 9 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following: "The
- 10 Committee shall terminate on September 30, 2026."
- 11 (i) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabili-
- 12 TATION.—Section 3121 of title 38, United States Code,
- 13 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 14 section:
- 15 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 16 30, 2026.".
- 17 (j) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Edu-
- 18 CATION.—Section 3692(c) of title 38, United States Code,
- 19 is amended by striking "December 31, 2026" and insert-
- 20 ing "September 30, 2026".
- 21 (k) Advisory Committee on Veterans Employ-
- 22 MENT, TRAINING, AND EMPLOYER OUTREACH.—Section
- 23 4110 of title 38, United States Code, is amended, in sub-
- 24 section (h), by striking "continue until terminated by law"
- 25 and inserting "terminate on September 30, 2026".

- 1 (1) Advisory Committee on Academic Affili-
- 2 ATIONS.—Section 7313 of title 38, United States Code,
- 3 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 4 section:
- 5 "(e) Any such advisory committee shall terminate on
- 6 September 30, 2026. The Secretary may not establish a
- 7 new such advisory committee after such date.".
- 8 (m) GERIATRICS AND GERONTOLOGY ADVISORY
- 9 Committee.—Section 7315 of title 38, United States
- 10 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
- 11 subsection:
- 12 "(d) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 13 30, 2026.".
- 14 (n) Parent Advisory Committee for Child
- 15 Care Centers.—Section 7809(e) of such title is amend-
- 16 ed by adding at the end the following: "Any such com-
- 17 mittee shall terminate on September 30, 2026.".
- 18 (o) Advisory Committee on Structural Safety
- 19 OF DEPARTMENT FACILITIES.—Section 8105(b) of title
- 20 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
- 21 the following new paragraph:
- 22 "(4) The advisory committee shall terminate on Sep-
- 23 tember 30, 2026.".
- 24 (p) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Environ-
- 25 MENTAL HAZARDS.—The Veterans' Dioxin and Radiation

- 1 Exposure Compensation Standards Act (Public Law 98–
- 2 542; 38 U.S.C. 1154 note), is amended, in section 6, by
- 3 adding at the end the following new subsection:
- 4 "(h) The Committee shall terminate on September
- 5 30, 2026.".
- 6 SEC. 4. REPEAL OF DEFUNCT ADVISORY COMMITTEES.
- 7 (a) Professional Certification and Licensure
- 8 Advisory Committee.—Section 3689 of title 38, United
- 9 States Code, is amended by striking subsection (e).
- 10 (b) Report.—Not later than 30 days after the date
- 11 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans
- 12 Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Veterans' Af-
- 13 fairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a report
- 14 containing a list of advisory committees of the Department
- 15 of Veterans Affairs—
- 16 (1) that are authorized and inactive; or
- 17 (2) for which authorization has lapsed.