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AN ACT

To amend the Peace Corps Act to expand services and
benefits for volunteers, and for other purposes.

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Sam Farr and Nick Castle Peace Corps Reform Act of
6 2018”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

TITLE I—PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Sec. 101. Peace Corps volunteer medical care reform.

Sec. 102. Post-service peace corps volunteer medical care reform.

- Sec. 103. Peace Corps impact survey.
 Sec. 104. Extension of positions for Peace Corps employees.

TITLE II—PEACE CORPS OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- Sec. 201. Peace Corps volunteer access to Inspector General.
 Sec. 202. Publication requirement for volunteer surveys.
 Sec. 203. Consultation with Congress required before opening or closing overseas offices and country programs.

TITLE III—CRIME RISK REDUCTION ENHANCEMENTS

- Sec. 301. Independent review of volunteer death.
 Sec. 302. Additional disclosures to applicants for enrollment as volunteers.
 Sec. 303. Additional protections against sexual misconduct.
 Sec. 304. Extension of the office of victim advocacy.
 Sec. 305. Reform and extension of the Sexual Assault Advisory Council.
 Sec. 306. Definitions.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
 4 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
 5 mittees” means—

6 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
 7 the Senate;

8 (B) the Committee on Appropriations of
 9 the Senate;

10 (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
 11 the House of Representatives; and

12 (D) the Committee on Appropriations of
 13 the House of Representatives.

14 (2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
 15 the Director of the Peace Corps.

16 (3) PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER.—The term
 17 “Peace Corps volunteer” means an individual de-

scribed in section 5(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504(a)).

TITLE I—PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

SEC. 101. PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER MEDICAL CARE REFORM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Peace Corps Act is amended—

(1) in section 5 (22 U.S.C. 2504)—

(A) in subsection (e), in the first sentence, by striking “receive such immunization and dental care preparatory to their service” and inserting “receive, preparatory to their service, such immunization, dental care, and information on prescription options and potential interactions, as necessary and appropriate and in accordance with subsection (f)”;

(B) by re-designating subsections (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), and (n) as subsections (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), (n), and (o);

(C) by inserting after subsection (e) the following new subsection—

“(f) The Director of the Peace Corps shall consult with health experts outside the Peace Corps, including experts licensed in the field of mental health, and follow

1 guidance by the Centers for Disease Control and Preven-
 2 tion regarding the prescription of medications to a volun-
 3 teer.”; and

4 (D) in subsection (i), as so redesignated,
 5 by striking “section, and” and inserting “sec-
 6 tion), and”; and

7 (2) by inserting after section 5 the following
 8 new section:

9 **“SEC. 5A. HEALTH CARE FOR VOLUNTEERS AT PEACE**
 10 **CORPS POSTS.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall ensure that
 12 each overseas post has the services of a medical office that
 13 is consistent in size and scope with the needs of the Peace
 14 Corps at such post, including, if necessary, by detailing
 15 to any such post the licensed medical staff of other United
 16 States departments, agencies, or establishments.

17 “(b) HIRING CRITERIA.—In selecting medical officers
 18 and support staff for overseas Peace Corps posts, the Di-
 19 rector of the Peace Corps shall hire well-qualified and ca-
 20 pable personnel to support the effectiveness of health care
 21 for Peace Corps volunteers by evaluating each can-
 22 didate’s—

23 “(1) medical training, experience, and accredi-
 24 tations or other qualifications;

25 “(2) record of performance;

1 “(3) administrative capabilities;

2 “(4) understanding of the local language and
3 culture;

4 “(5) ability to work in the English language;

5 “(6) interpersonal skills; and

6 “(7) such other factors that the Director deter-
7 mines appropriate.

8 “(c) CERTAIN TRAINING.—The Director of the Peace
9 Corps shall ensure that each Peace Corps medical officer
10 serving in a malaria-endemic country receives training in
11 the recognition of the side effects of such medications.

12 “(d) REVIEW AND EVALUATION.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Peace
14 Corps, acting through the Associate Director of the
15 Office of Health Services and the country directors,
16 shall review and evaluate the performance and
17 health care delivery of all Peace Corps medical staff,
18 including medical officers, to—

19 “(A) ensure compliance with all relevant
20 Peace Corps policies, practices, and guidelines;
21 and

22 “(B) ensure that medical staff complete
23 the necessary continuing medical education to
24 maintain their skills and satisfy licensing and

1 credentialing standards, as designated by the
2 Director.

3 “(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Director of
4 the Peace Corps shall include, in the annual Peace
5 Corps congressional budget justification, a confirma-
6 tion that the review and evaluation of all Peace
7 Corps medical staff required under paragraph (1)
8 has been completed.

9 “(e) ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS.—The Director of the
10 Peace Corps shall consult with experts at the Centers for
11 Disease Control and Prevention regarding recommenda-
12 tions for prescribing malaria prophylaxis, in order to pro-
13 vide the best standard of care within the context of the
14 Peace Corps environment.”.

15 (b) IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY
16 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE PEACE CORPS.—

17 (1) INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT.—As prompt-
18 ly as practicable, the Director shall implement the
19 actions outlined in the agency response for all open
20 recommendations of the Inspector General of the
21 Peace Corps set forth in the report entitled “Final
22 Program Evaluation Report: OIG Follow-up Evalua-
23 tion of Issues Identified in the 2010 Peace Corps/
24 Morocco Assessment of Medical Care” (Report No.
25 IG-16-01-E).

1 (2) SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.—

2 (A) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than 180
3 days after the date of the enactment of this
4 Act, the Director shall submit a report to the
5 appropriate congressional committees that de-
6 scribes the Director’s strategy for implementing
7 the recommendations referred to in paragraph
8 (1).

9 (B) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—Not later
10 than 180 days after the submission of the re-
11 port required under subparagraph (A), and
12 semiannually thereafter, the Director shall sub-
13 mit a report to the appropriate congressional
14 committees that describes the progress in imple-
15 menting the recommendations referred to in
16 paragraph (1) until all such recommendations
17 have been implemented in accordance with the
18 agency’s response to the report referred to in
19 such paragraph.

20 (3) NOTIFICATION.—After the submission of
21 each report required under paragraph (2), the In-
22 spector General of the Peace Corps may notify the
23 appropriate congressional committees of any rec-
24 ommendations from the report referred to in para-

1 graph (1) that the Inspector General determines re-
2 main unresolved.

3 **SEC. 102. POST-SERVICE PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER MED-**
4 **ICAL CARE REFORM.**

5 Section 8142 of title 5, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(d)(1) The Secretary shall authorize the Director of
9 the Peace Corps to furnish medical benefits to a volunteer,
10 who is injured during the volunteer’s period of service, for
11 a period of 120 days following the termination of such
12 service if the Director certifies that the volunteer’s injury
13 probably meets the requirements under subsection (c)(3).
14 The Secretary may then certify vouchers for these ex-
15 penses for such volunteer out of the Employees’ Com-
16 pensation Fund.

17 “(2) The Secretary shall prescribe the form and con-
18 tent of the certification required under paragraph (1).

19 “(3) A certification under paragraph (1) will cease
20 to be effective if the volunteer sustains compensable dis-
21 ability in connection with volunteer service.

22 “(4) Nothing in this subsection may be construed to
23 authorize the furnishing of any medical benefit that the
24 Secretary of Labor is not otherwise authorized to reim-
25 burse for former Peace Corps volunteers who receive treat-

1 ment for injury or disease proximately caused by their
2 service in the Peace Corps in accordance with this chap-
3 ter.”.

4 **SEC. 103. PEACE CORPS IMPACT SURVEY.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning not later than 1 year
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act and once every
7 2 years thereafter for the following 6 years, the Director
8 shall conduct a survey of former Peace Corps volunteers.

9 (b) SCOPE OF SURVEY.—The survey required under
10 subsection (a) shall assess, with respect to each former
11 Peace Corps volunteer completing the survey, the impact
12 of the Peace Corps on the former volunteer, including the
13 volunteer’s—

- 14 (1) well-being;
- 15 (2) career;
- 16 (3) civic engagement; and
- 17 (4) commitment to public service.

18 (c) REPORT.—The Director shall submit a report
19 containing the results of the survey conducted under sub-
20 section (a) to—

- 21 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the
22 Senate;
- 23 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
24 House of Representatives;

1 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the
2 Senate; and

3 (4) the Committee on Appropriations of the
4 House of Representatives.

5 **SEC. 104. EXTENSION OF POSITIONS FOR PEACE CORPS EM-**
6 **PLOYEES.**

7 Section 7(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.
8 2506(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following
9 new paragraph:

10 “(8)(A) The Director of the Peace Corps may
11 designate Peace Corps positions as critical manage-
12 ment or management support positions that require
13 specialized technical or professional skills and knowl-
14 edge of Peace Corps operations. Such positions may
15 include positions in the following fields:

16 “(i) Volunteer health services.

17 “(ii) Financial management.

18 “(iii) Information technology.

19 “(iv) Procurement.

20 “(v) Personnel.

21 “(vi) Legal services.

22 “(vii) Safety and security.

23 “(B) Subject to subparagraphs (C) and (D),
24 with respect to positions designated pursuant to sub-
25 paragraph (A), the Director may make or extend re-

newable appointments or assignments under paragraph (2) notwithstanding limitations under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) and paragraph (5).

“(C) In exercising authority under subparagraph (B), the Director shall ensure that all decisions regarding the appointment, assignment, or extension of employees to any position designated pursuant to subparagraph (A)—

“(i) are consistent with Federal law and Peace Corps policy; and

“(ii) are based upon operational and programmatic factors.

“(D) The term of any appointment or assignment to any position designated pursuant to subparagraph (A) may not exceed 5 years.”.

TITLE II—PEACE CORPS OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

SEC. 201. PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER ACCESS TO INSPECTOR GENERAL.

Section 8 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking “he” and inserting “the President”; and

1 (B) by adding at the end the following new
2 sentences: “As part of the training provided to
3 all volunteers under subsection (a), and in co-
4 ordination with the Inspector General of the
5 Peace Corps, the President shall provide all vol-
6 unteers with information regarding the mandate
7 of the Inspector General and the availability
8 (including contact information) of the Inspector
9 General and the Office of Victim Advocacy as
10 a resource for volunteers. The President shall
11 ensure that volunteers receive such information
12 at least once during training that occurs prior
13 to enrollment and at least once during each sig-
14 nificant instance of training after enrollment.”;
15 and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
17 section:

18 “(c) The President shall implement procedures to
19 maintain a record verifying each individual completing
20 training provided to meet each requirement in this section
21 and sections 8A, 8B, 8F, and 8G(b).”.

22 **SEC. 202. PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT FOR VOLUNTEER**
23 **SURVEYS.**

24 Section 8E of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507e)
25 is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b), in the first sentence—

2 (A) by inserting “, ensure that each such
3 plan includes a consideration of the results,
4 with respect to each such representative and the
5 country of service of each such representative,
6 of each survey conducted under subsection (c),”
7 after “standards for Peace Corps representa-
8 tives”; and

9 (B) by striking “and shall review” and in-
10 serting “, and review”; and

11 (2) in subsection (c)—

12 (A) in the first sentence, by striking
13 “2018” and inserting “2023”; and

14 (B) in the third sentence, by striking “sub-
15 section (a)” and inserting “subsection (b)”; and

16 (C) by adding at the end the following new
17 sentences: “The President shall publish, on a
18 publicly available website of the Peace Corps, a
19 report summarizing the results of each survey
20 related to volunteer satisfaction in each country
21 in which volunteers serve, and the early termi-
22 nation rate of volunteers serving in each such
23 country. The information published shall be
24 posted in an easily accessible place near the de-

1 scription of the appropriate country and shall
2 be written in an easily understood manner.”.

3 **SEC. 203. CONSULTATION WITH CONGRESS REQUIRED BE-**
4 **FORE OPENING OR CLOSING OVERSEAS OF-**
5 **FICES AND COUNTRY PROGRAMS.**

6 Section 10 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2509)
7 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
8 section:

9 “(k)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Di-
10 rector of the Peace Corps may not open, close, signifi-
11 cantly reduce, or suspend a domestic or overseas office or
12 country program unless the Director has notified and con-
13 sulted with the appropriate congressional committees at
14 least 15 days in advance.

15 “(2) The Director of the Peace Corps may waive the
16 application of paragraph (1) for a period of not more than
17 5 days after an action described in such paragraph if the
18 Director determines such action is necessary to ameliorate
19 a substantial security risk to Peace Corps volunteers or
20 other Peace Corps personnel.

21 “(3) For the purposes of this subsection, the term
22 ‘appropriate congressional committees’ means—

23 “(A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
24 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
25 resentatives; and

1 “(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
2 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.”.

3 **TITLE III—CRIME RISK**
4 **REDUCTION ENHANCEMENTS**

5 **SEC. 301. INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF VOLUNTEER DEATH.**

6 Section 5 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504),
7 as amended by section 101 of this Act, is further amended
8 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

9 “(p)(1) Not later than 10 days after receiving notifi-
10 cation of the death of a volunteer, the President shall pro-
11 vide a briefing to the Inspector General of the Peace Corps
12 that includes—

13 “(A)(i) the available facts and circumstances
14 surrounding the death of the volunteer, including a
15 preliminary timeline of the events immediately pre-
16 ceding the death of the volunteer, subsequent actions
17 taken by the Peace Corps, and any information
18 available to the Peace Corps reflecting on the cause
19 or root cause of the death of the volunteer; and

20 “(ii) a description of any steps the Peace Corps
21 plans to take to inquire further into the cause or
22 root cause of the death of the volunteer, including
23 the anticipated date of the completion of such in-
24 quiry; or

1 “(B) an explanation of why the Peace Corps
2 has determined that no further inquiry into the
3 cause or root cause of the death of the volunteer is
4 necessary, including—

5 “(i) a description of the steps the Peace
6 Corps took to determine further inquiry was not
7 necessary; and

8 “(ii) the basis for such determination.

9 “(2) If the Peace Corps has performed or engaged
10 another entity to perform a root cause analysis or similar
11 report that describes the cause or root cause of a volunteer
12 death, the President shall provide the Inspector General
13 of the Peace Corps with—

14 “(A) a copy of all information provided to such
15 entity at the time such information is provided to
16 such entity or used by the Peace Corps to perform
17 the analysis;

18 “(B) a copy of any report or study received
19 from the entity or used by the Peace Corps to per-
20 form the analysis; and

21 “(C) any supporting documentation upon which
22 the Peace Corps or such entity relied to make its de-
23 termination, including the volunteer’s complete med-
24 ical record, as soon as such information is available
25 to the Peace Corps.

1 “(3) If a volunteer dies, the Peace Corps shall take
2 reasonable measures, in accordance with local laws, to pre-
3 serve any information or material, in any medium or for-
4 mat, that may be relevant to determining the cause or root
5 cause of the death of the volunteer, including personal ef-
6 fects, medication, and other tangible items belonging to
7 the volunteer, as long as such measures do not interfere
8 with the legal procedures of the host country if the govern-
9 ment of the host country is exercising jurisdiction over the
10 investigation of such death. The Inspector General of the
11 Peace Corps shall be provided an opportunity to inspect
12 such items before their final disposition.

13 “(4) Consistent with the Inspector General Act of
14 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), the Inspector General of the Peace
15 Corps may independently review the facts and cir-
16 cumstances surrounding the death of a volunteer and the
17 actions taken by the Peace Corps in responding to such
18 incident.

19 “(5) For the purposes of undertaking a review under
20 this section, an officer or employee of the United States
21 or a member of the Armed Forces may be detailed to the
22 Inspector General of the Peace Corps from another de-
23 partment of the United States Government on a nonreim-
24 bursable basis, as jointly agreed to by the Inspector Gen-
25 eral and the detailing department, for a period not to ex-

ceed 1 year. This paragraph may not be construed to limit or modify any other source of authority for reimbursable or nonreimbursable details. A nonreimbursable detail made under this section may not be considered an augmentation of the appropriations of the Peace Corps.

“(6) Upon request, the Peace Corps may make available necessary funds to the Inspector General of the Peace Corps for reviews conducted by the Inspector General under this section. The request shall be limited to costs relating to hiring, procuring, or otherwise obtaining medical-related experts or expert services, and associated travel.

“(7) The undertaking of a review under this section may not be considered a transfer of program operating responsibilities to the Inspector General of the Peace Corps.”.

SEC. 302. ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES TO APPLICANTS FOR ENROLLMENT AS VOLUNTEERS.

Section 8A of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507a(d)) is amended—

(1) by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

“(d) INFORMATION REGARDING CRIMES AND RISKS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each applicant for enroll-
2 ment as a volunteer shall be provided, with respect
3 to each country in which the applicant may be in-
4 vited to serve, with specific, aggregated, and easily
5 accessible information regarding crimes against and
6 risks to volunteers, including—

7 “(A) an overview of past crimes against
8 volunteers in such country, including statistics
9 regarding unreported crime collected through
10 anonymous surveys;

11 “(B) the current early termination rate of
12 volunteers serving in such country;

13 “(C) health risks prevalent in such coun-
14 try;

15 “(D) the nature and frequency of sexual
16 harassment reported by volunteers serving in
17 such country;

18 “(E) the extent and types of services pro-
19 vided by the Peace Corps to volunteers serving
20 in such country, including access to medical
21 care, counseling services, and assistance from
22 the Office of Victim Advocacy; and

23 “(F) the level of satisfaction reported by
24 volunteers serving in such country.

1 “(2) OPTION TO TIMELY DECLINE.—Upon re-
 2 ceiving information described in paragraph (1), the
 3 applicant shall have the option to change the coun-
 4 try of consideration and identify a substitute coun-
 5 try.”; and

6 (2) in subsection (f)(2)(B)(iii), by striking “vic-
 7 tim advocates” and inserting “Victim’s Advocates,”.

8 **SEC. 303. ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS AGAINST SEXUAL**
 9 **MISCONDUCT.**

10 Section 8B(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.
 11 2507b(a)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (3)—

13 (A) by striking “SARLs” and inserting
 14 “any employee of the Peace Corps”;

15 (B) by striking “Victim Advocate” and in-
 16 serting “Victim’s Advocate”; and

17 (C) by inserting “and require the Peace
 18 Corps to designate the staff at each post who
 19 shall be responsible for providing the services
 20 described in subsection (c)” before the semi-
 21 colon at the end;

22 (2) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
 23 end;

24 (3) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
 25 the end and inserting a semicolon; and

1 (4) by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraphs:

3 “(7) maintains a record documenting the resignation
4 of any employee or volunteer of the Peace Corps who re-
5 signs before a determination has been made regarding an
6 alleged violation of the sexual misconduct policy or other
7 serious policy violations;

8 “(8) takes into account the record maintained under
9 paragraph (7) before such employee or volunteer is hired,
10 enrolled, or otherwise invited to work with the Peace
11 Corps;

12 “(9) provides orientation or information regarding
13 the awareness and prevention of sexual assault and sexual
14 harassment to—

15 “(A) Peace Corps-selected host families; and

16 “(B) a designated person of authority at the
17 volunteer’s initial workplace; and

18 “(10) ensures, to the extent practicable and appro-
19 priate, that any assault on, or any harm or injury to, a
20 volunteer that is committed by any member of a host fam-
21 ily or any national of a host country that was assigned
22 by the Peace Corps to facilitate volunteer work is—

23 “(A) documented in an appropriate site history
24 file and in the global tracking and recording system
25 established pursuant to section 8H(c); and

1 “(B) taken into account with respect to deter-
2 minations regarding placements of future volunteers
3 at such post and the provision of any funds or other
4 benefit by the Peace Corps.”.

5 **SEC. 304. EXTENSION OF THE OFFICE OF VICTIM ADVOCACY.**
6

7 Section 8C of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2507c)
8 is amended—

9 (1) by striking “victim advocate” each place it
10 appears and inserting “Victim’s Advocate”;

11 (2) by striking “victim advocates” each place it
12 occurs and inserting “Victim’s Advocates”; and

13 (3) by amending subsection (e) to read as fol-
14 lows:

15 “(e) The Director of the Peace Corps shall include
16 the head of the Office of Victim Advocacy in agency-wide
17 policymaking processes in the same manner and to the
18 same extent as the directors or associate directors of other
19 offices within the Peace Corps.”.

20 **SEC. 305. REFORM AND EXTENSION OF THE SEXUAL AS-**
21 **SAULT ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

22 Section 8D of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.
23 2507d) is amended—

24 (1) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by striking “not less than 8 individuals
2 selected by the President, not later than 180
3 days after the date of the enactment of this sec-
4 tion,” and inserting “not fewer than 8 and not
5 more than 14 individuals selected by the Presi-
6 dent”; and

7 (B) by inserting after the first sentence
8 the following new sentence: “At least one mem-
9 ber should be licensed in the field of mental
10 health and have prior experience working as a
11 counselor or therapist providing mental health
12 care to survivors of sexual assault in a victim
13 services agency or organization.”; and

14 (2) in subsection (c)—

15 (A) by inserting “and implemented” after
16 “sexual assault policy developed”; and

17 (B) by adding at the end the following new
18 sentence: “To carry out this subsection, the
19 Council may conduct case reviews and is au-
20 thorized to have access, including through inter-
21 views, to current and former volunteers (to the
22 extent that such volunteers provide the Peace
23 Corps express consent to be interviewed by the
24 Council), to volunteer surveys under section 8E,
25 to all data collected from restricted reporting,

1 and to any other information necessary to con-
2 duct case reviews, except that the Council may
3 not have access to any personally identifying in-
4 formation associated with such surveys, data, or
5 information.”; and

6 (3) in subsection (g), by striking “2018” and
7 inserting “2023”.

8 **SEC. 306. DEFINITIONS.**

9 Section 26 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2522)
10 is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating subsections (a), (b), (c),
12 (d), (e), (f), and (g) as paragraphs (1), (6), (2), (3),
13 (8), (7), and (5), respectively, by arranging such re-
14 designated paragraphs in numerical order, and by
15 moving such paragraphs 2 ems to the right;

16 (2) in paragraph (1), as redesignated, by strik-
17 ing “(1)” and inserting the following:

18 “In this Act:

19 “(1)”;

20 (3) by inserting after paragraph (3), as redesign-
21 ated, the following:

22 “(4) The term ‘medical officer’ means a physi-
23 cian, nurse practitioner, physician’s assistant, or
24 registered nurse with the professional qualifications,
25 expertise, and abilities consistent with the needs of

1 the Peace Corps and the post to which he or she is
2 assigned, as determined by the Director of the Peace
3 Corps.”.

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