

116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 2171

To amend title 10, United States Code, to ensure that certain TRICARE beneficiaries who reside in Puerto Rico may enroll in TRICARE Prime, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2019

Miss González-Colón of Puerto Rico introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. AVAILABILITY OF TRICARE PRIME IN PUERTO
- 4 RICO.
- 5 (a) Availability of TRICARE Prime in Puerto
- 6 Rico.—Section 1097 of title 10, United States Code, is
- 7 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 8 section:

- 1 "(f) AVAILABILITY OF TRICARE PRIME IN PUERTO
- 2 Rico.—In designating geographical areas under sub-
- 3 section (b)(3), the Secretary of Defense shall ensure that
- 4 beneficiaries covered by subsection (c) of section 1086 of
- 5 this title, other than Medicare-eligible beneficiaries de-
- 6 scribed in subsection (d)(2) of such section, may enroll
- 7 in TRICARE Prime in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,
- 8 beginning not later than January 1, 2021.".
- 9 (b) REPORT.—Not later than six months after the
- 10 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
- 11 shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the
- 12 House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the
- 13 progress of the Secretary in carrying out the requirements
- 14 of subsection (f) of section 1097 of title 10, United States
- 15 Code, as added by subsection (a).

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