

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on problem gambling among members of the Armed Forces.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.**

**H. R. 1735**

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. MERKLEY) to the amendment (No. 1463) proposed by Mr. MCCAIN

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle C of title VII, add the following:

2 **SEC. 738. COMPTROLLER GENERAL STUDY ON GAMBLING**

3 **AND PROBLEM GAMBLING BEHAVIOR AMONG**

4 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the

6 United States shall conduct a study on gaming facilities

7 at military installations and problem gambling among

8 members of the Armed Forces.

1 (b) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The study conducted  
2 under subsection (a) shall include the following:

3 (1) With respect to gaming facilities at military  
4 installations, disaggregated by each branch of the  
5 Armed Forces—

6 (A) the number, type, and location of such  
7 gaming facilities;

8 (B) the total amount of cash flow through  
9 such gaming facilities; and

10 (C) the amount of revenue generated by  
11 such gaming facilities for morale, welfare, and  
12 recreation programs of the Department of De-  
13 fense.

14 (2) An assessment of the prevalence of and par-  
15 ticular risks for problem gambling among members  
16 of the Armed Forces, including such recommenda-  
17 tions for policies and programs to be carried out by  
18 the Department to address problem gambling as the  
19 Secretary considers appropriate.

20 (3) An assessment of the ability and capacity of  
21 military health care personnel to adequately diag-  
22 nose and provide dedicated treatment for problem  
23 gambling, including—

24 (A) a comparison of treatment programs of  
25 the Department for alcohol abuse, illegal sub-

1 stance abuse, and tobacco addiction with treat-  
2 ment programs of the Department for problem  
3 gambling; and

4 (B) an assessment of whether additional  
5 training for military health care personnel on  
6 providing treatment for problem gambling  
7 would be beneficial.

8 (4) An assessment of the financial counseling  
9 and related services that are available to members of  
10 the Armed Forces and their dependents who are im-  
11 pacted by problem gambling.

12 (c) REPORT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
15 Comptroller General shall submit to the appropriate  
16 committees of Congress a report on the results of  
17 the study conducted under subsection (a).

18 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS  
19 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate  
20 committees of Congress” means—

21 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and  
22 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
23 and

1                   (B) the Committee on Armed Services and  
2                   the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
3                   of Representatives.