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# H. R. 1243

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 27, 2001

Mr. KLECZKA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Government Reform

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. PAYMENT OF FEHBP PREMIUMS FOR CERTAIN**  
 2 **RESERVISTS CALLED OR ORDERED TO AC-**  
 3 **TIVE DUTY.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—(1) Chapter 89 of title 5, United  
 5 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 8905a  
 6 the following new section:

7 **“§ 8905b. Payment of premiums for certain reservists**  
 8 **called or ordered to active duty**

9 “An employing agency shall be responsible for pay-  
 10 ing, for any employee who is a member of a reserve compo-  
 11 nent of the armed forces who is called or ordered to active  
 12 duty for a period of more than 30 days, the employee’s  
 13 share of the premium for health care coverage provided  
 14 to such member under this chapter during such period.”.

15 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such  
 16 chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating  
 17 to section 8905a the following new item:

“8905b. Payment of premiums for certain reservists called or ordered to active  
 duty.”.

18 (b) APPLICABILITY.—Section 8905b of title 5, United  
 19 States Code (as added by subsection (a)), shall apply with  
 20 respect to health care coverage provided to a member of  
 21 a reserve component of the Armed Forces—

22 (1) on or after the date of the enactment of this  
 23 Act; and

1           (2) on or after the date that is 10 years before  
2           the date of the enactment of this Act if the member  
3           was called or ordered to active duty in support of  
4           military operations related to conflicts in Kosovo,  
5           Bosnia and Herzegovina, or the Persian Gulf region.

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