



Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

Immediate Commissioning of Chiropractors into the Armed Forces

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Dear Colleague:

Due to the nature of the injuries sustained by American soldiers in the field of operations, a wider range of health care options are needed to treat those related to the spine and structures of the body. Commissioning more chiropractors not only provides the quality care deserved by our brave men in women in arms, but it also increases the cost effectiveness of military health care expenditures by mitigating the number of structural injuries that become chronic.

According to 10 U.S.C. 3070, the Secretary of Defense has statutory authority to commission doctors as officers but has not yet done so. Please join us as a co-sponsor of this resolution urging Secretary Gates to establish a career path for chiropractors as commissioned officers of the Armed Forces.

For more information or if you would like to cosponsor the Chiropractic Resolution, please contact Morris Fontenot (Abercrombie) at (202) 226-1681 or morris.fontenot@mail.house.gov or Mike Cosio (Drake) at (202) 225-4215 or mike.cosio@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

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