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To amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for outreach, and coordination of services, to veterans.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2012

Mr. MANCHIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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A BILL

To amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for outreach, and coordination of services, to veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Streamlining Services for Older Veterans Act".

SEC. 2. OUTREACH AND COORDINATION OF SERVICES TO VETERANS.

(a) DEFINITION.—Section 102 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3002) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (24)—

(A) in subparagraph (B), by striking "and" at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

"(D) status as a veteran."; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(55) The term 'veteran' has the meaning given the term in section 101 of title 38, United States Code.".

(b) AREA PLAN.—Section 306(a) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3026(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (16), by striking "and" at the end;

(2) in paragraph (17), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(18) include information describing—

"(A) how the area agency on aging will engage in outreach to veterans who are eligible for services under this Act; and

"(B) effective and efficient procedures for the coordination of services provided under this Act with services provided to veterans by the

Department of Veterans Affairs and other providers.''.

(c) STATE PLAN.—Section 307(a) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3027(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(31) The plan shall include information describing—

''(A) how the State agency will engage in outreach to veterans who are eligible for services under this Act; and

''(B) effective and efficient procedures for the coordination of services provided under this Act with services provided to veterans by the Department of Veterans Affairs and other providers.''.

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