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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to temporarily extend the period during which certain individuals may file claims for medical care under the CHAMPVA program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M____. _____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF PERIOD DURING**
2 **WHICH CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS MAY FILE**
3 **CLAIMS FOR MEDICAL CARE UNDER**
4 **CHAMPVA PROGRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to a covered indi-
6 vidual who seeks retroactive approval for medical care
7 under section 1781 of title 38, United States Code, the
8 Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure, during the pe-
9 riod beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act
10 and ending on September 30, 2027, if such individual is
11 retroactively approved, the period during which the cov-
12 ered individual may file a claim for such medical care—

13 (1) begins on the date on which the individual
14 receives notice of such retroactive approval; and

15 (2) ends not earlier than 365 days after such
16 date.

17 (b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
18 regulations to carry out subsection (a).

19 (c) COVERED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In this sec-
20 tion, the term “covered individual” means an individual
21 who is eligible for such medical care under such section
22 and also entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part
23 A of the program of health insurance administered by the
24 Secretary of Health and Human Services under title
25 XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.).