

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 6439

To amend title 38, United States Code to expand the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide counseling for family members of veterans receiving non-service-connected treatment.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 8, 2008

Mr. HARE (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Mr. MICHAUD, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. BERKLEY, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, and Mr. HALL of New York) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Mental Health for He-  
5 roes’ Families Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY OF VET-**  
2 **ERANS AFFAIRS TO PROVIDE COUNSELING**  
3 **FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF VETERANS RE-**  
4 **CEIVING NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED TREAT-**  
5 **MENT.**

6 Section 1782(b) of title 38, United States Code, is  
7 amended by striking “if—” and all that follows and insert-  
8 ing a period.

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