118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION **S**.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. DUCKWORTH introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Immigrant Veterans5 Eligibility Tracking System Act" or the "I–VETS Act".

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1 SEC. 2. IDENTIFYING ALIENS CONNECTED TO THE ARMED 2 FORCES. 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon the application by an alien for an immigration benefit or the placement of an alien 4 5 in an immigration enforcement proceeding, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall— 6 7 (1) determine whether the alien is serving, or 8 has served, as a member of— 9 (A) a regular or reserve component of the 10 Armed Forces of the United States on active 11 duty; or 12 (B) a reserve component of the Armed 13 Forces in an active status; and 14 (2) with respect to the immigration and natu-15 ralization records of the Department of Homeland 16 Security relating to an alien who is serving, or has 17 served, as a member of the Armed Forces described 18 in paragraph (1), annotate such records— 19 (A) to reflect that membership; and 20 (B) to afford an opportunity to track the 21 outcomes for each such alien. 22 (b) PROHIBITION ON USE OF INFORMATION FOR RE-23 MOVAL.—Information gathered under subsection (a) may 24 not be used for the purpose of removing an alien from the United States. 25