

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5136**  
**OFFERED BY MR. Pomeroy**

At the end of subtitle I of title V, add the following  
new section:

1 **SEC. 5. CODIFICATION AND CONTINUATION OF JOINT**  
2 **FAMILY SUPPORT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

3 (a) CODIFICATION AND CONTINUATION.—Chapter  
4 88, of title 10, United States Code, is amended by insert-  
5 ing after section 1788 the following new section:

6 **“§ 1788a. Joint Family Support Assistance Program**

7 “(a) PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary of De-  
8 fense shall continue to carry out the program known as  
9 the ‘Joint Family Support Assistance Program’ for the  
10 purpose of providing to families of members of the armed  
11 forces the following types of assistance:

12 “(1) Financial and material assistance.

13 “(2) Mobile support services.

14 “(3) Sponsorship of volunteers and family sup-  
15 port professionals for the delivery of support serv-  
16 ices.

17 “(4) Coordination of family assistance pro-  
18 grams and activities provided by Military  
19 OneSource, Military Family Life Consultants, coun-

1       selors, the Department of Defense, other Federal  
2       agencies, State and local agencies, and non-profit  
3       entities.

4             “(5) Facilitation of discussion on military fam-  
5       ily assistance programs, activities, and initiatives be-  
6       tween and among the organizations, agencies, and  
7       entities referred to in paragraph (4).

8             “(6) Non-medical counseling.

9             “(7) Such other assistance that the Secretary  
10       considers appropriate.

11       “(b) LOCATIONS.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
12       carry out the program in at least six areas of the United  
13       States selected by the Secretary. Up to three of the areas  
14       selected for the program shall be areas that are geographi-  
15       cally isolated from military installations.

16       “(c) RESOURCES AND VOLUNTEERS.—The Secretary  
17       of Defense shall provide personnel and other resources of  
18       the Department of Defense necessary for the implementa-  
19       tion and operation of the program and may accept and  
20       utilize the services of non-Government volunteers and non-  
21       profit entities under the program.

22       “(d) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of Defense shall  
23       establish procedures for the operation of the program and  
24       for the provision of assistance to families of members of  
25       the Armed Forces under the program.

1       “(e) RELATION TO FAMILY SUPPORT CENTERS.—  
2 The program is not intended to operate in lieu of other  
3 family support centers, but is instead intended to augment  
4 the activities of the family support centers.”.

5       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
6 at the beginning of subchapter I of such chapter is amend-  
7 ed by inserting after the item relating to section 1788a  
8 the following new item:

“1788a. Joint Family Support Assistance Program.”.

9       (c) REPEAL OF SUPERCEDED PROVISION.—Section  
10 675 of the John Warner National Defense Authorization  
11 Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Public Law 109–364; 119 Stat.  
12 2273; 10 U.S.C. 1781 note) is repealed.

