

14 . AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE  
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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5658, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. CASTLE OF DELAWARE AND MR.  
HINOJOSA OF TEXAS**

Add at the end of subtitle E of title V, the following  
new section:

1 **SEC. 5\_\_\_ . ENHANCING EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS TO IM-**  
2 **PROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND FLEXIBILITY FOR**  
3 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

4 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—The Secretary of a military depart-  
5 ment may enter into one or more education partnership  
6 agreements with educational institutions in the United  
7 States for the purpose of—

8 (1) developing plans to improve the accessibility  
9 and flexibility of college courses available to eligible  
10 members of the Armed Forces;

11 (2) improving the application process for the  
12 Armed Forces tuition assistance programs and rais-  
13 ing awareness regarding educational opportunities  
14 available to such members;

15 (3) developing curriculum, distance education  
16 programs, and career counseling designed to meet  
17 the professional, financial, academic, and social  
18 needs of such members; and

1           (4) assessing how resources may be applied  
2           more effectively to meet the educational needs of  
3           such members.

4           (b) COST.—Except as provided in this section, execu-  
5           tion of an education partnership agreement with an edu-  
6           cational institution shall be at no cost to the Government.

7           (c) EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION DEFINED.—In this  
8           section, the term “educational institution” means an ac-  
9           credited college, university, or technical school in the  
10          United States.

