

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. LUETKEMEYER OF MISSOURI**

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

1 **SEC. 5___ . REVIEW REGARDING AWARD OF MEDAL OF**
2 **HONOR TO JEWISH AMERICAN WORLD WAR I**
3 **VETERANS.**

4 (a) REVIEW REQUIRED.—The Secretary of the Army
5 and the Secretary of the Navy shall review the service
6 records of each Jewish American World War I veteran de-
7 scribed in subsection (b) to determine whether that vet-
8 eran should be posthumously awarded the Medal of
9 Honor.

10 (b) COVERED JEWISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS.—
11 The Jewish American World War I veterans whose service
12 records are to be reviewed under subsection (a) are the
13 following:

14 (1) Any Jewish American World War I veteran
15 who was previously awarded the Distinguished Serv-
16 ice Cross, the Navy Cross, or other military decora-
17 tion for service during World War I.

18 (2) Any other Jewish American World War I
19 veteran whose name is submitted to the Secretary
20 concerned for such purpose by the Jewish War Vet-

1 erans of the United States of America before the
2 end of the one-year period beginning on the date of
3 the enactment of this Act.

4 (c) CONSULTATIONS.—In carrying out the review
5 under subsection (a), the Secretary concerned shall con-
6 sult with the Jewish War Veterans of the United States
7 of America and with such other veterans service organiza-
8 tions as the Secretary considers appropriate.

9 (d) RECOMMENDATION BASED ON REVIEW.—If the
10 Secretary concerned determines, based upon the review
11 under subsection (a) of the service records of any Jewish
12 American World War I veteran, that the award of the
13 Medal of Honor to that veteran is warranted, the Sec-
14 retary shall submit to the President a recommendation
15 that the President award the Medal of Honor post-
16 humously to that veteran.

17 (e) AUTHORITY TO AWARD MEDAL OF HONOR.—A
18 Medal of Honor may be awarded posthumously to a Jew-
19 ish American World War I veteran in accordance with a
20 recommendation of the Secretary concerned under sub-
21 section (a).

22 (f) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—An award of
23 the Medal of Honor may be made under subsection (e)
24 without regard to—

1 (1) section 3744, 6248, or 8744 of title 10,
2 United States Code; and

3 (2) any regulation or other administrative re-
4 striction on—

5 (A) the time for awarding the Medal of
6 Honor; or

7 (B) the awarding of the Medal of Honor
8 for service for which a Distinguished Service
9 Cross, Navy Cross, or other military decoration
10 has been awarded.

11 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) The term “Jewish American World War I
13 veteran” means any person who served in the Armed
14 Forces during World War I and identified himself or
15 herself as Jewish on his or her military personnel
16 records.

17 (2) The term “Secretary concerned” means—

18 (A) the Secretary of the Army, in the case
19 of the Army; and

20 (B) the Secretary of the Navy, in the case
21 of the Navy and the Marine Corps.

22 (3) The term “World War I” means the period
23 beginning on April 6, 1917, and ending on Novem-
24 ber 11, 1918.

