

AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MR. SARBANES OF MARYLAND TO

THE AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUB-

STITUTE TO H.R. 2857

Subtitle G of title I is amended by adding at the end
the following:

1 **SEC. 1707. STUDY TO EXAMINE AND INCREASE SERVICE**

2 **PROGRAMS FOR VETERANS AND VETERANS**

3 **PARTICIPATION IN SERVICE CORPS AND**

4 **COMMUNITY SERVICE AND TO DEVELOP**

5 **PILOT PROGRAM.**

6 (a) **PLANNING STUDY.**—The Corporation for Na-
7 tional and Community Service shall conduct a study to
8 identify—

- 9 (1) specific areas of need for veterans;
- 10 (2) how existing programs and activities carried
11 out under the national service laws could better
12 serve veterans and veterans service organizations;
- 13 (3) gaps in service to veterans;
- 14 (4) prospects for better coordination of services;
- 15 (5) prospects for better utilization of veterans
16 as resources and volunteers; and

1 (6) prospects for more efficient financial organi-
2 zation of services that are specifically directed to-
3 wards veterans.

4 (b) CONSULTATION.—The study shall be carried out
5 in consultation with veterans' service organizations, the
6 Department of Veterans Affairs, State veterans agencies,
7 the Department of Defense, and other individuals and en-
8 tities the Corporation considers appropriate.

9 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
10 of the enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall submit
11 to Congress a report on the results of the planning study
12 required by subsection (a), together with a plan for imple-
13 mentation of a pilot program using promising strategies
14 and approaches for better targeting and serving veterans.

15 (d) PILOT PROGRAM.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—From amounts made avail-
17 able to carry out this subsection, the Corporation
18 shall develop and carry out a pilot program based on
19 the findings in the report submitted under sub-
20 section (c).

21 (2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
22 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
23 this subsection such sums as may be necessary for
24 each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.