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Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr.
United States Senate
SR-393 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Casey:

On behalf of the 2.3 million members of The American Legion, America's largest wartime veterans service organization, I would like to express support for of S. 210, the Military Spouse Job Continuity Act of 2015.

Members of the Armed Forces and their families frequently move from state to state as part of their military career. Due to these frequent moves, spouses of servicemembers often have to train for a new position that requires a license or certification, or sometimes must get a new license or certification for an occupation previously held. Our nation demands much, including the possibility of the ultimate sacrifice, from our servicemembers and their families. As such, we should do everything we can as a country to support the servicemembers and their spouses.

Your legislation would provide a $500 tax credit to military spouses who must puruse new licensing or certification in a different state due to their servicemember's military ordered relocation. The American Legion's Resolution No. 313, Support Licensure and Certification of Servicemembers, Veterans and Spouses, passed at our August 2014 National Convention, gives the full support of our organization to S. 210.

Thank you your leadership in introducing this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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National Commander