

## Brady Supports Timeline for Troop Withdrawal

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PHILADELPHIA --- Congressman Robert A. Brady (D., PA) released the following statement today after the House approved the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Health and Iraq Accountability Act - The FY 2007 Supplemental Appropriation bill.

"We are now in the fifth year of this war and it is time that Congress puts brakes on an open ended commitment to a strategy that is failing. Too many have died for us to continue in this direction. "The U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Health and Iraq Accountability Act fully funds our military in Iraq and provides that they have the proper training and equipment. Brady said. "It also sets a timeline for a make sense redeployment of U.S. troops out of Iraq.

"The Supplemental also includes a total appropriation of \$2.8 billion for Defense Health Care, which is \$1.7 billion more than the President's request. This legislation will address the critical health care needs of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans as well as the backlog in the maintenance of VA health care facilities. This is a pro U.S. and pro troops bill."

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