

**Excerpt from H.R.5136, the House version of the Fiscal 2011 defense authorization bill, on the establishment of a Combat Medevac Badge:**

**SEC. 579. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMBAT MEDEVAC BADGE.**

(c) Air Force-

(1) IN GENERAL- Chapter 857 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**`Sec. 8757. Combat Medevac Badge**

`(a) Issuance- The Secretary of the Air Force shall issue a badge of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of the Air Force served in combat on or after June 25, 1950, as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacuation ambulance and who meets the requirements for the award of that badge.

`(b) Eligibility Requirements- The Secretary of the Air Force shall prescribe requirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac Badge.'.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT- The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new item:  
'8757. Combat Medevac Badge.'.

`(d) Award for Service Before Date of Enactment- In the case of persons who, while a member of the Armed Forces, served in combat as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacuation ambulance during the period beginning on June 25, 1950, and ending on the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the military department concerned shall issue the Combat Medevac Badge--

(1) to each such person who is known to the Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act; and

(2) to each such person with respect to whom an application for the issuance of the badge is made to the Secretary after such date in such manner, and within such time period, as the Secretary may require.