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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 19, 2013

Mr. O’ROURKE (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. GIBSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. REQUIREMENT FOR CONTINUATION OF AU-
THORIZED TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FOR

REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2013.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretaries of the military departments shall carry out tuition assistance programs

for members of the Armed Forces during the remainder
of fiscal year 2013 using amounts specified in subsection (b).

(b) AMOUNTS.—The minimum amount used by the Secretary of a military department for tuition assistance for members of an Armed Force under the jurisdiction of that Secretary pursuant to subsection (a) shall be not less than—

(1) the amount appropriated or otherwise made available by the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 for tuition assistance programs for members of that Armed Force, minus

(2) an amount that is not more than the percentage of the reduction required to the Operation and Maintenance account for that Armed Force for fiscal year 2013 by the budget sequester required by section 251A of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.