

Union Calendar No. 3

113TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 235

[Report No. 113-5]

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide grants to States to streamline State requirements and procedures for veterans with military emergency medical training to become civilian emergency medical technicians.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 14, 2013

Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois (for himself and Mrs. CAPPS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

FEBRUARY 4, 2013

Additional sponsors: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. HULTGREN, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. YODER, Mr. SCHOCK, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. HANNA, Mr. BRALEY of Iowa, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. RAHALL, and Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Veteran Emergency
5 Medical Technician Support Act of 2013”.

6 **SEC. 2. ASSISTING VETERANS WITH MILITARY EMERGENCY**

7 **MEDICAL TRAINING TO MEET REQUIRE-**
8 **MENTS FOR BECOMING CIVILIAN EMER-**
9 **GENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part B of title III of the Public
11 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 243 et seq.) is amended
12 by inserting after section 314 the following:

13 **“SEC. 315. ASSISTING VETERANS WITH MILITARY EMER-**
14 **GENCY MEDICAL TRAINING TO MEET RE-**
15 **QUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING CIVILIAN**
16 **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.**

17 “(a) PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish a pro-
18 gram consisting of awarding demonstration grants to
19 States to streamline State requirements and procedures
20 in order to assist veterans who completed military emer-
21 gency medical technician training while serving in the
22 Armed Forces of the United States to meet certification,
23 licensure, and other requirements applicable to becoming
24 an emergency medical technician in the State.

1 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts received as a dem-
2 onstration grant under this section shall be used to pre-
3 pare and implement a plan to streamline State require-
4 ments and procedures as described in subsection (a), in-
5 cluding by—

6 “(1) determining the extent to which the re-
7 quirements for the education, training, and skill level
8 of emergency medical technicians in the State are
9 equivalent to requirements for the education, train-
10 ing, and skill level of military emergency medical
11 technicians; and

12 “(2) identifying methods, such as waivers, for
13 military emergency medical technicians to forego or
14 meet any such equivalent State requirements.

15 “(c) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a grant under
16 this section, a State shall demonstrate that the State has
17 a shortage of emergency medical technicians.

18 “(d) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit to the
19 Congress an annual report on the program under this sec-
20 tion.

21 “(e) FUNDING.—Of the amount authorized by section
22 751(j)(1) to be appropriated to carry out section 751 for
23 fiscal year 2014, there is authorized to be appropriated
24 to carry out this section \$1,000,000 for the period of fiscal
25 years 2014 through 2018.”.

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 751(j)(1)
2 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 294a(j)(1))
3 is amended by striking “There is authorized to be appro-
4 priated” and inserting “Subject to section 315(e), there
5 is authorized to be appropriated”.

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