

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 10172

To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for survivors' and dependents' educational assistance to the dependent parent of a person who dies of a service-connected disability or has a total and permanent service-connected disability, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 27, 2026

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY OF A DEPENDENT PARENT FOR**
2 **SURVIVORS' AND DEPENDENTS' EDU-**
3 **CATIONAL ASSISTANCE.**

4 (a) **ELIGIBILITY.**—Section 3501(a)(1) of title 38,
5 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
6 following new subparagraph:

7 “(F) The dependent parent of a person de-
8 scribed in subparagraph (A).”.

9 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**—

10 (1) **CESSATION OF ELIGIBILITY.**—Section
11 3511(b) of title 38, United States Code, is amended,
12 in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4), by striking “parent
13 or spouse” each place it appears and inserting “par-
14 ent, spouse, or child”.

15 (2) **PERIODS OF ELIGIBILITY.**—Section
16 3512(b)(1)(A) of title 38, United States Code, is
17 amended—

18 (A) by striking “subparagraph (B) or (D)
19 of section 3501(a)(1) of this title” and inserting
20 “subparagraph (B), (D), or (F) of section
21 3501(a)(1) of this title”; and

22 (B) by striking “or 3501(a)(1)(E) of this
23 title” and inserting “3501(a)(1)(E), or
24 3501(a)(1)(F) of this title”.

1 (3) CORRESPONDENCE COURSES.—Section
2 3534(b) of title 38, United States Code, is amend-
3 ed—

4 (A) by striking “eligible spouse or sur-
5 viving spouse” and inserting “eligible spouse,
6 surviving spouse, or eligible dependent parent”;

7 (B) by striking “such spouse’s entitle-
8 ment” and inserting “such spouse’s or depend-
9 ent parent’s entitlement”; and

10 (C) by striking “paid to the spouse” and
11 inserting “paid to the spouse or dependent par-
12 ent”.

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