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119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5634

[Report No. 119–796]

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a limitation on the amount of entitlement to educational assistance payable for flight training under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Mr. KEAN (for himself and Mr. MCGARVEY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

Additional sponsors: Mr. VINDMAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ROSS, and Mr. DAVIS
of North Carolina

SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on September 30, 2025]

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 “Veterans Flight Train-*
 5 *ing Responsibility Act of 2026”.*

6 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE WITH**
 7 **POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE OF DE-**
 8 **PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS: FLIGHT**
 9 **TRAINING; PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION CAR-**
 10 **RIED OUT UNDER CONTRACT.**

11 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3313 of title 38, United*
 12 *States Code, is amended—*

13 *(1) in subsection (g)(3)(C), by striking “In the*
 14 *case” and inserting “Subject to the limitation under*
 15 *subsection (m), in the case”; and*

16 *(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 17 *section:*

18 **“(m) LIMITATION ON THE USE OF ENTITLEMENT FOR**
 19 **FLIGHT TRAINING OR PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION CARRIED**
 20 **OUT UNDER CONTRACT.—**

21 **“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other**
 22 **provision of this chapter and subject to paragraphs**
 23 **(2) and (3), the maximum amount payable under this**
 24 **chapter to an individual, over the lifetime of the indi-**
 25 **vidual, for tuition and fees for the pursuit of a cov-**

1 *ered program of education, regardless of how many*
 2 *such covered programs of education the individual*
 3 *pursues, is—*

4 *“(A) in the case of an individual who first*
 5 *pursues a covered program of education during*
 6 *the academic year beginning on August 1, 2026,*
 7 *\$119,684; or*

8 *“(B) in the case of an individual who first*
 9 *pursues a covered program of education during*
 10 *an academic year beginning on August 1 of any*
 11 *subsequent year, the amount in effect under this*
 12 *subsection for the previous academic year begin-*
 13 *ning on August 1, as increased by the percentage*
 14 *increase equal to the most recent percentage in-*
 15 *crease determined under section 3015(h) of this*
 16 *title.*

17 *“(2) PURSUIT ON LESS THAN A FULL-TIME*
 18 *BASIS.—In the case of an individual who is entitled*
 19 *to educational assistance under this chapter by reason*
 20 *of any of paragraph (3) through (7) of section*
 21 *3311(b) of this title, the maximum amount payable*
 22 *under paragraph (1) is—*

23 *“(A) the amount in effect under paragraph*
 24 *(1), multiplied by*

1 “(B) the same percentage applicable to the
2 monthly amounts payable to the individual
3 under paragraphs (2) through (6) of subsection
4 (c).

5 “(3) *PRIOR USE OF ENTITLEMENT.*—In the case
6 of an individual who is entitled to educational assist-
7 ance under this chapter and who uses any of such en-
8 titlement prior to the pursuit of a covered program
9 of education, the maximum amount payable to the in-
10 dividual under this subsection is—

11 “(A) the maximum total amount in effect
12 under paragraph (1), minus

13 “(B) the amount of entitlement to edu-
14 cational assistance the individual used before en-
15 rolling in such covered program of education.

16 “(4) *COVERED PROGRAM OF EDUCATION DE-*
17 *FINED.*—In this subsection, the term ‘covered program
18 of education’ means—

19 “(A) a program of flight training offered by
20 a public institution of higher learning that leads
21 to a degree, certificate, or other non-college de-
22 gree; or

23 “(B) a program of education pursued at a
24 public institution of higher learning that has en-
25 tered into a contract or agreement with an enti-

1 *ty (other than another public institution of high-*
2 *er learning) to provide such program of edu-*
3 *cation (or a portion of such program of edu-*
4 *cation).”.*

5 *(b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by this*
6 *section shall apply to academic years that begin on or after*
7 *August 1, 2026.*

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