

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 7398

To amend the Passport Act of 1920 to exempt from the collection of certain passport fees of an individual who was awarded the Purple Heart or the Medal of Honor, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 5, 2026

Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. PETERS, and Mrs. RADEWAGEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## 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 “Passports for Purple  
5       Hearts and Medals of Honor Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN PASSPORT FEES OF AN**  
2 **INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS AWARDED THE PUR-**  
3 **PLE HEART OR MEDAL OF HONOR.**

4 Section 1 of the Act of June 1, 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214;  
5 commonly referred to as the “Passport Act of 1920”), is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

8 (A) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as  
9 subparagraph (F); and

10 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (D)  
11 the following new subparagraph:

12 “(D) from an individual who was awarded  
13 the Purple Heart or the Medal of Honor; or”.

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
15 section:

16 “(c) The Secretary of State, acting through the As-  
17 sistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs, shall enter  
18 into a memorandum of understanding with the Secretary  
19 of Defense in order to assist the Assistant Secretary with  
20 implementation of the exemption described in subpara-  
21 graph (D) of subsection (a)(2). Such memorandum shall  
22 include assistance establishing appropriate documentation  
23 requirements for eligible passport applications and renew-  
24 als, and a mechanism for the relevant Department of De-  
25 fense office to assist the Assistant Secretary regarding the  
26 verification of such documentation through cross-ref-

1 erencing with the service records of the applicant at  
2 issue.”.

