Public Law 113–26
113th Congress

An Act

To amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property.

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Formerly Owned Resources for Veterans to Express Thanks for Service Act of 2013” or the “FOR VETS Act of 2013”.

SEC. 2. VETERANS ACCESS TO FEDERAL EXCESS AND SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Section 549(c)(3) of title 40, United States Code, is amended—
(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at the end;
(2) in subparagraph (B)—
(A) in clause (viii), by adding “or” at the end; and
(B) by striking clause (x); and
(3) by adding at the end the following:
“(C) for purposes of providing services to veterans (as defined in section 101 of title 38), to an organization whose—
“(i) membership comprises substantially veterans; and
“(ii) representatives are recognized by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under section 5902 of title 38.”.

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