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To amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit additional daily interest charges following prepayment in full of housing loans guaranteed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, and Mr. WAXMAN) 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,
 - **3** SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
 - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Home Loan
 - 5 Prepayment Protection Act of 2003".

SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF ADDITIONAL DAILY INTEREST CHARGES FOLLOWING PREPAYMENT IN FULL OF HOUSING LOANS GUARANTEED BY THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3703 of title 38, United
6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol7 lowing new subsection:

8 "(g)(1) In the case of prepayment in full by a veteran 9 of a loan guaranteed under this chapter, such prepayment 10 shall be credited on the date of receipt of the prepayment 11 at the business location of a residential mortgage lender, 12 and no interest may be charged to the veteran with respect 13 to that loan thereafter.

14 "(2) For purposes of paragraph (1), in determining 15 the date of receipt of a prepayment tendered at a business 16 location of a residential mortgage lender, a prepayment 17 received on a calender day during any business hour of 18 that business location shall be treated as being received 19 on that day.

"(3) For purposes of this subsection, a business hour
of a business location of a residential mortgage lender at
which prepayment in full is tendered includes any business
hour of that business location during which—

24 "(A) the business location offers any services to25 customers or for the convenience of the public, and

"(B) any officer of the lender at that business location is present in an official capacity.

3 "(4) An officer of a residential mortgage lender that 4 receives prepayment in full from a veteran of a loan guar-5 anteed under this chapter at a business location of that 6 lender during business hours shall, immediately upon re-7 ceipt of the prepayment, stamp or otherwise record the 8 date of receipt in the records of the lender.

9 "(5) Any cutoff hour established by a residential 10 mortgage lender at any business location of the lender for 11 purposes of determining the date of receipt of prepayment 12 in full of a loan shall not apply to prepayment in full by 13 a veteran of a loan guaranteed under this chapter.

14 "(6)(A) The provisions of this subsection shall apply 15 to prepayments in full that satisfy in full the obligation 16 of the veteran under the loan guaranteed under this chap-17 ter through such means as cash, a cashier's check, a cer-18 tified check, electronic transfer of funds, or such other 19 means routinely acceptable for payment by the residential 20 mortgage lender.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
subsection (a) shall apply to loans guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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