

110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 4046

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require the Department of Education to accept certifications of permanent and total disability by the Department of Veterans Affairs for the purpose of student loan discharge.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 1, 2007

Mr. ALTMIRE (for himself and Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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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 “Student Disability  
5 Fairness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISABILITY DETERMINATIONS.**

2       Section 437(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
3 (20 U.S.C. 1087(a)) is amended by adding at the end the  
4 following new sentence: “In making such determination of  
5 permanent and total disability, the Secretary shall provide  
6 that a borrower who has been certified as permanently and  
7 totally disabled by the Department of Veterans Affairs  
8 shall not be required to present further documentation for  
9 purposes of this title.”.

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