

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2673

To amend title 38, United States Code, to match the pension amount paid to surviving spouses of veterans who served during a period of war to the pension amount paid to such veterans.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 3, 2009

Mr. DEFazio (for himself and Mr. BERRY) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' 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. MATCH OF PENSION AMOUNTS FOR SURVIVING**  
4               **SPOUSES.**

5       Section 1541 of title 38, United States Code, is  
6       amended—

1           (1) in subsection (b), by striking “at the annual  
2           rate of \$2,379” and inserting “at the annual rate in  
3           effect under section 1521(b) of this title”;

4           (2) in subsection (c), by striking “at the annual  
5           rate of \$3,116” and inserting “at the annual rate in  
6           effect under section 1521(c) of this title”;

7           (3) in subsection (d)—

8                 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “shall be  
9                 \$3,806” and inserting “shall be at the annual  
10                rate in effect under section 1521(d)(1) of this  
11                title”; and

12               (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “shall be  
13                \$4,543” and inserting “shall be at the annual  
14                rate in effect under section 1521(d)(2) of this  
15                title”; and

16           (4) in subsection (e)(1)—

17                 (A) by striking “shall be \$2,908” and in-  
18                 serting “shall be at the annual rate in effect  
19                 under section 1521(e) of this title for a veteran  
20                 who is similarly situated”; and

21                 (B) by striking “shall be \$3,645” and in-  
22                 serting “shall be at the annual rate in effect  
23                 under section 1521(e) of this title for a veteran  
24                 who is similarly situated”.

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