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1ST SESSION

H. R. 3577

To amend title 38, United State Code, to provide authority for certain members of the Armed Forces who have served 20 years on active duty to transfer entitlement to Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to their dependents.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

Mr. RODRIGUEZ (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HALL of New York, and Mr. TEAGUE) 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 “Education Assistance
5 to Realign New Eligibilities for Dependents (EARNED)
6 Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
2 **FORCES WHO HAVE SERVED 20 YEARS ON AC-**
3 **TIVE DUTY TO TRANSFER ENTITLEMENT TO**
4 **POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO**
5 **THEIR DEPENDENTS.**

6 (a) **TRANSFER AUTHORIZED.**—Section 3319(b) of
7 title 38, United States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “or”;

9 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period and
10 inserting “; or”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new
12 paragraph:

13 “(3) 20 years of active duty service in the
14 Armed Forces, as of any date between September
15 11, 2001, and July 31, 2009, including at least 90
16 days of such service after September 10, 2001, and
17 is honorably discharged.”.

18 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
19 this Act shall take effect as if included in the enactment
20 of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of
21 2008 (title V of Public Law 110–252).

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