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H. R. 5830

To amend title 38, United States Code, to enable certain non-profit organizations that serve homeless veterans to participate in the Grants and Per Diem Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide transitional housing or other facilities for homeless veterans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2012

Mr. REICHERT (for himself and Mr. WALZ of Minnesota) 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 “Housing for Heroes
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ENHANCEMENT OF CERTAIN GRANTS TO ASSIST**
2 **HOMELESS VETERANS.**

3 Section 2011(c) of title 38, United States Code, is
4 amended—

5 (1) by striking “A grant” and inserting “(1) A
6 grant”;

7 (2) by striking “The amount” and all that fol-
8 lows through the period and inserting the following:

9 “(2) The amount of a grant under this section may
10 not exceed 65 percent of the estimated cost of the project
11 concerned.”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(3)(A) The Secretary may not deny an application
14 from an entity that seeks a grant under this section to
15 carry out a project described in subsection (b)(1)(A) solely
16 on the basis that the entity proposes to use funding from
17 other private or public sources, if the entity demonstrates
18 that a private nonprofit organization will provide oversight
19 and site control for the project.

20 “(B) In this paragraph, the term ‘private nonprofit
21 organization’ means the following:

22 “(i) An incorporated private institution, organi-
23 zation, or foundation—

24 “(I) that has received, or has temporary
25 clearance to receive, tax-exempt status under

1 paragraph (2), (3), or (19) of section 501(c) of
2 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

3 “(II) for which no part of the net earnings
4 of the institution, organization, or foundation
5 inures to the benefit of any member, founder,
6 or contributor of the institution, organization,
7 or foundation; and

8 “(III) that the Secretary determines is fi-
9 nancially responsible.

10 “(ii) A for-profit limited partnership or limited
11 liability company, the sole general partner or man-
12 ager of which is an organization that is described by
13 subclauses (I) through (III) of clause (i).

14 “(iii) A for-profit corporation or limited liability
15 company wholly owned and controlled by one or
16 more organizations that are described by subclauses
17 (I) through (III) of clause (i).”.

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