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H. R. 5836

To prohibit institutions of higher education that have a cohort default rate of 30 percent or more from receiving veterans' education benefits, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BOSWELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To prohibit institutions of higher education that have a cohort default rate of 30 percent or more from receiving veterans' education benefits, and for other purposes.

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 and Service
5 Members Educational Benefits Safety Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY SEC-**
2 **RETARY OF DEFENSE AND SECRETARY OF**
3 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

4 (a) ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY SECRETARY OF DE-
5 FENSE.—Section 2143(c) of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended by inserting after “level” the following: “, that
7 is an eligible institution under section 435(a) of the High-
8 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085(a)),”.

9 (b) ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY SECRETARY OF VET-
10 ERANS AFFAIRS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 36 of title 38,
12 United States Code, is amended by inserting after
13 section 3680A the following new section:

14 **“§ 3680B. Disapproval of enrollment in courses of-**
15 **fered by institutions with high default**
16 **rates**

17 “For purposes of providing educational assistance
18 under this title, the Secretary may not approve the enroll-
19 ment of an eligible veteran in any course offered by an
20 institution that—

21 “(1) is an institution of higher education under
22 section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965
23 (20 U.S.C. 1001); and

24 “(2) is not an eligible institution under section
25 435(a) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 1085(a)).”.

1 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
2 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
3 by adding after the item relating to section 3680A
4 the following new item:

“3680B. Disapproval of enrollment in courses offered by institutions with high
default rates.”.

5 **SEC. 3. REVISION OF 90–10 RULE.**

6 Section 487(a)(24) of the Higher Education Act of
7 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)(24)) is amended by inserting
8 after “other than” the following: “veterans’ education ben-
9 efits (as defined in section 480(c)) or”.

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