## 112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## S. 423

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 1, 2011

Mr. Burr introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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,

| 1  | SECTION 1. AUTHORITY FOR RETROACTIVE EFFECTIVE               |
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| 2  | DATE FOR AWARDS OF DISABILITY COM-                           |
| 3  | PENSATION IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICA-                        |
| 4  | TIONS THAT ARE FULLY-DEVELOPED AT SUB-                       |
| 5  | MITTAL.  |
| 6  | Section 5110(b) of title 38, United States Code, is          |
| 7  | amended—   |
| 8  | (1) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as               |
| 9  | paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and                    |
| 10 | (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-                |
| 11 | lowing new paragraph (2):                                    |
| 12 | "(2) The effective date of an award of disability com-       |
| 13 | pensation to a veteran who submits an application therefor   |
| 14 | that sets forth a claim that is fully-developed (as pre-     |
| 15 | scribed by the Secretary for purposes of this pararaph)      |
| 16 | as of the date of submittal shall be fixed in accordance     |
| 17 | with the facts found, but shall not be earlier than the date |
| 18 | that is one year before the date of receipt of the applica-  |
| 19 | tion "   |

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