

113TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 2876

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide veterans with a 1-year exemption from the requirement to maintain minimum essential coverage under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2013

Mr. FLORES (for himself, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. COOK, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. FLEMING, and Mr. COFFMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Fairness for America’s  
5 Heroes Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. 1-YEAR EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS FROM INDI-**  
2 **VIDUAL MANDATE UNDER PATIENT PROTEC-**  
3 **TION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 5000A(e) of the Internal  
5 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end  
6 the following new paragraph:

7 “(6) **VETERANS.**—Any applicable individual for  
8 any month beginning before January 1, 2015, if the  
9 individual is a veteran. For purposes of this para-  
10 graph, the term ‘veteran’ means an individual who  
11 served on active duty (other than active duty for  
12 training) in the Armed Forces of the United States  
13 and has been discharged or released from active  
14 duty in the Armed Forces of the United States  
15 under conditions other than dishonorable.”.

16 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
17 subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the  
18 amendments made by section 1501 of the Patient Protec-  
19 tion and Affordable Care Act.

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