

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3274

To amend the Pay Our Military Act to make appropriations available to continue the payment of a death gratuity and certain other death-related compensation in the event of the death of members of the Armed Forces and certain other persons who pass away during a Government shutdown.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 8, 2013

Mr. BARBER (for himself, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. LONG, Mr. GIBSON, Ms. MOORE, Mr. BARLETTA, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. GALLEGOS, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. BARROW of Georgia, Mr. KILMER, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Ms. TITUS, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. MICHAUD, and Ms. SHEA-PORTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Fallen Heroes and
3 Families Assistance Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO PRO-**

5 **VIDE DEATH GRATUITY AND OTHER COM-**
6 **PENSATION ON BEHALF OF DECEASED MEM-**
7 **BERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND CERTAIN**
8 **OTHER PERSONS DURING GOVERNMENT**
9 **SHUTDOWN.**

10 Section 2 of the Pay Our Military Act (Public Law
11 113–39; 127 Stat. 532) is amended—

12 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
13 section (c); and

14 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
15 lowing new subsection (b):

16 **“(b) CONTINUATION OF DEATH GRATUITY AND FU-**
17 **NERAL AND OTHER COMPENSATION.—There are hereby**
18 **appropriated for fiscal year 2014, out of any money in**
19 **the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for any period**
20 **during which interim or full-year appropriations for fiscal**
21 **year 2014 are not in effect, such sums as are necessary**
22 **to continue the following during such period:**

23 **“(1) The payment of a death gratuity under**
24 **sections 1475–1477 and 1489 of title 10, United**
25 **States Code.**

1 “(2) The payment of pay and allowances due a
2 member of the Armed Forces and unpaid at the
3 time of the member’s death.

4 “(3) The payment or reimbursement for au-
5 thorized funeral and burial expenses.

6 “(4) The payment or reimbursement of autho-
7 rized funeral travel and travel related to the dignified
8 transfer of remains and unit memorial services.

9 “(5) The continuation of a basic allowance of
10 housing for dependents of members dying on active
11 duty, as authorized by section 403(l) of title 37,
12 United States Code.”.

