

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5355

To amend title 49, United States Code, to assist veterans to obtain certain public transportation jobs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 26, 2016

Mr. ASHFORD (for himself and Mr. JONES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Veteran Opportunities
5 on Local Transportation Act of 2016” or the “VOLT Act
6 of 2016”.

7 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION JOBS FOR LOCAL VET-**
8 **ERANS.**

9 Section 5325 of title 49, United States Code, is
10 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(1) VETERANS LOCAL HIRING.—A recipient of as-
2 sistance under this chapter may advertise and award a
3 contract for construction that includes requirements for
4 the employment of veterans residing in or adjacent to any
5 of the areas in which work is to be performed under the
6 contract if—

7 “(1) the estimated cost of the project to which
8 the contract relates exceeds \$10,000,000;

9 “(2) there is no requirement to hire an indi-
10 vidual who does not have the necessary skills to per-
11 form work in a relevant craft or trade, unless the in-
12 dividual is subject to an apprenticeship program or
13 other training program; and

14 “(3) the requirements do not—

15 “(A) compromise the quality of the project
16 to which the contract relates;

17 “(B) unreasonably delay the completion of
18 the project; or

19 “(C) unreasonably increase the cost of the
20 project.”.

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