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119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1663

[Report No. 119-350]

To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Mr. CALVERT (for himself, Mr. BOST, Mr. COLE, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. WITTMAN, and Mr. CISCOMANI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

OCTOBER 21, 2025

Additional sponsors: Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. BARRETT, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. FONG, and Mr. MACKENZIE

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 27, 2025]

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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 “Veterans Scam And*
5 *Fraud Evasion Act of 2025” or the “VSAFE Act of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. VETERANS SCAM AND FRAUD EVASION OFFICER.**

7 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 3 of title 38, United States*
8 *Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new*
9 *section:*

10 **“§ 325. Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer**

11 *“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is in the Department a*
12 *Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer, who shall—*

13 *“(1) be responsible for fraud and scam preven-*
14 *tion, reporting, and incident response plans at the*
15 *Department; and*

16 *“(2) serve as a central point of contact to direct*
17 *veterans to resources to prevent and mitigate fraud*
18 *and scams.*

19 *“(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Veterans Scam and*
20 *Fraud Evasion Officer shall carry out the following respon-*
21 *sibilities:*

22 *“(1) Providing comprehensive communication*
23 *from the Secretary to employees of the Department*
24 *and veterans, their families, caregivers, and survivors*

1 *during strategic and time-sensitive fraud and scam*
2 *incidents.*

3 “(2) *Establishing consistent guidance across the*
4 *enterprise for employees as well as veterans, their*
5 *families, caregivers, and survivors on how to identify,*
6 *report, and avoid fraud and scam attempts.*

7 “(3) *Promoting the VSAFE Fraud Hotline and*
8 *VSAFE.gov website of the Department (and any suc-*
9 *cessor resources) and identifying other identity theft*
10 *resources available to veterans, their families, care-*
11 *givers, and survivors, including with respect to ac-*
12 *tions made by the Secretary to protect the identities*
13 *of veterans and their beneficiaries.*

14 “(4) *Developing methods to monitor fraud and*
15 *scam metrics within the Department to—*

16 “(A) *provide internal and external report-*
17 *ing;*

18 “(B) *enable advanced data analytics; and*

19 “(C) *facilitate proactive and robust fraud*
20 *and scam trend identification.*

21 “(5) *Developing comprehensive training plans*
22 *for Department employees fielding fraud and scam*
23 *inquiries and reports.*

24 “(6) *Coordinating with the Inspector General of*
25 *the Department and other Federal departments and*

1 agencies, including the Executive Office of the Presi-
2 dent, the Office of Management and Budget, the Inter-
3 nal Revenue Service, the Department of Justice, the
4 Department of State, the Consumer Financial Protec-
5 tion Bureau, the Department of Defense, the Depart-
6 ment of Education, the Social Security Administra-
7 tion, and other relevant agencies to—

8 “(A) develop a whole-of-Government view
9 within the Department to improve fraud preven-
10 tion efforts within the Department;

11 “(B) identify the proper avenues for vet-
12 erans to report fraud attempts and receive assist-
13 ance; and

14 “(C) identify opportunities for coordination
15 with such departments and agencies.

16 “(7) Consulting with veterans service organiza-
17 tions and State, local, and tribal governments, as nec-
18 essary, to improve understanding of potential fraud
19 and scam risks to veterans.

20 “(c) *FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES.*—Nothing in this section
21 authorizes an increase in the number of full-time employees
22 otherwise authorized for the Department.

23 “(d) *RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this sec-
24 tion shall be construed to limit the authority of the Office
25 of Inspector General of the Department as otherwise pro-

1 *vided in this title or in chapter 4 of title 5 (commonly re-*
2 *ferred to as the Inspector General Act of 1978).”.*

3 (b) *CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at*
4 *the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the*
5 *end the following new item:*

“325. Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer.”.

6 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF**
7 **PENSION.**

8 *Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code, is*
9 *amended by striking “November 30, 2031” and inserting*
10 *“January 30, 2032”.*

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