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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1282

[Report No. 118–149, Part I]

To amend title 10, United States Code, to expand eligibility to certain military retirees for concurrent receipt of veterans' disability compensation and retired pay or combat-related special compensation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2023

Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. KEATING, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. POSEY, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. GAETZ, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. TITUS, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. FINSTAD, Mr. WALTZ, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. EVANS, Mr. COHEN, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. KILMER, Mr. COSTA, Ms. SALAZAR, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. FALLON, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. OMAR, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mrs. TRAHAN, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Mr. PETERS, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. ROSS, Mr. BERA, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. TONKO, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. GUEST, Mr. ELLZEY, Mr. CLINE, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. CAREY, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. RYAN, Mr. CARSON, Mr. PFLUGER, Ms. DE LA CRUZ, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. MCCAUL, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Ms. HAGEMAN, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. TRONE, Mr.

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Additional sponsors: Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Ms. JACOBS, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Ms. LEE of Nevada, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mr. EZELL, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. CARL, Mr. HORSFORD, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. MILLER of Ohio, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. NEAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. CISCOMANI, Mr. MOLINARO, Mr. KUSTOFF, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Mr. DELUZIO, Ms. CARAVEO, Mr. TURNER, Mr. SORENSEN, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. PAYNE, Mrs. PELTOLA, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. VAN DREW, Mrs. KIM of California, Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. LIEU, Mr. MRVAN, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. YAKYM, Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. LUCAS, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. CASE, Mrs. MCCLELLAN, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. ISSA, Ms. HOYLE of Oregon, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. CLEAVER, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Ms. BROWN, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. PETERSEN, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Mr. SARBANES, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. STANTON, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MFUME, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. VASQUEZ, Mr. FROST, Mr. MCGARVEY, Mr. WILLIAMS of New York, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Mr. GOSAR, Ms. MACE, Mrs. LUNA, Mr. PENCE, Ms. LETLOW, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. FRY, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. HIMES, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. KILEY, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. BANKS, Mr. IVEY, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, Mr. NADLER, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. ALFORD, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. JAMES, Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California, Mr. BEYER, Mr. LAMBORN, Ms. PLASKETT, and Mrs. BICE

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Reported from the Committee on Armed Services with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

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Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 1, 2023]

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 “Major Richard Star*
5 *Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. EXPANSIONS OF ELIGIBILITY TO CERTAIN MILITARY**
7 **RETIREES FOR CONCURRENT RECEIPT OF**
8 **VETERANS’ DISABILITY COMPENSATION AND**
9 **RETIRED PAY OR COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL**
10 **COMPENSATION.**

11 *(a) INCLUSION OF CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY RETIREES*
12 *WITH FEWER THAN 20 YEARS OF SERVICE WHO ARE ELI-*
13 *GIBLE FOR COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION.—*
14 *Section 1413a(b)(3) of title 10, United States Code, is*
15 *amended—*

16 *(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “In” and*
17 *inserting “Subject to subparagraph (B), in”; and*

18 *(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “In the*
19 *case of” and all that follows and inserting “The re-*
20 *tired pay of an eligible combat-related disabled uni-*
21 *formed services retiree, who is retired under chapter*
22 *61 of this title with fewer than 20 years of creditable*
23 *service, is not subject to reduction under sections 5304*
24 *and 5305 of title 38.”.*

25 *(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—*

1 (1) *SECTION HEADING.*—*The heading of section*
 2 *1414 of such title is amended to read as follows:*

3 **“§ 1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also**
 4 ***eligible for veterans’ disability compensa-***
 5 ***tion: concurrent receipt”.***

6 (2) *TABLE OF SECTIONS.*—*The item relating to*
 7 *such section 1414 in the table of sections at the begin-*
 8 *ning of chapter 71 of such title is amended to read*
 9 *as follows:*

“1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ dis-
ability compensation: concurrent receipt.”.

10 (3) *CONFORMING AMENDMENTS REFLECTING END*
 11 *OF CONCURRENT RECEIPT PHASE-IN PERIOD.*—*Such*
 12 *section 1414 is further amended—*

13 (A) *in subsection (a)(1)—*

14 (i) *by striking the second sentence; and*

15 (ii) *by striking subparagraphs (A) and*

16 (B);

17 (B) *by striking subsection (c) and redesign-*

18 *ating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (c)*

19 *and (d), respectively; and*

20 (C) *in subsection (d), as redesignated, by*

21 *striking paragraphs (3) and (4).*

22 (c) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—*The amendments made by this*

23 *section shall take effect on the first day of the first month*

24 *beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act and*

- 1 *shall apply to payments for months beginning on or after*
- 2 *such date.*

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