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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 4, 2020

Mr. CRIST (for himself and Mr. PALAZZO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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 “Coast Guard Retire-  
5 ment Parity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE OF FUND; DEFINI-**  
7 **TION.**

8 Section 1461(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
9 amended by inserting “and the Coast Guard” after “liabil-  
10 ities of the Department of Defense”.

1 **SEC. 3. PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND.**

2 Section 1463(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
3 amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (1) by striking “and Marine  
5 Corps” and inserting “Marine Corps, and Coast  
6 Guard”;

7 (2) in paragraph (2) by striking “(other than  
8 retired pay payable by the Secretary of Homeland  
9 Security)” and

10 (3) in paragraph (4) by inserting “and the De-  
11 partment of Homeland Security that” after “De-  
12 partment of Defense”.

13 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE**  
14 **FUND.**

15 Section 1465 of title 10, United States Code, is  
16 amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a)—

18 (A) by striking “(a) NOT” and inserting  
19 the following:

20 “(a)(1) Not”; and

21 (B) by adding at the end the following:

22 “(2) Not later than October 1, 2022, the Board of  
23 Actuaries shall determine the amount that is the present  
24 value (as of September 30, 2022) of future benefits pay-  
25 able from the Fund that are attributable to service in the  
26 Coast Guard performed before October 1, 2022. That

1 amount is the original Coast Guard unfunded liability of  
2 the Fund. The Board shall determine the period of time  
3 over which the original Coast Guard unfunded liability  
4 should be liquidated and shall determine an amortization  
5 schedule for the liquidation of such liability over that pe-  
6 riod. Contributions to the Fund for the liquidation of the  
7 original Coast Guard unfunded liability in accordance with  
8 such schedule shall be made as provided in section 1466(b)  
9 of this title.”;

10 (2) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
13 graph (A)—

14 (I) by inserting “, in consultation  
15 with the Secretary of the department  
16 in which the Coast Guard is oper-  
17 ating,” after “Secretary of Defense”;  
18 and

19 (II) by inserting “and Coast  
20 Guard” after “Department of De-  
21 fense”;

22 (ii) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by strik-  
23 ing “(other than the Coast Guard)” and  
24 inserting “members of the Armed Forces”;  
25 and

1 (iii) in subparagraph (B)(ii) by strik-  
2 ing “(other than the Coast Guard)”;

3 (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “the  
4 Coast Guard Retired Pay account and the”  
5 after “appropriated to”; and

6 (C) in paragraph (3) by inserting “and  
7 Coast Guard” after “Department of Defense”;  
8 (3) in subsection (c)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
11 graph (A) by inserting “, in consultation  
12 with the Secretary of the department in  
13 which the Coast Guard is operating,” after  
14 “Secretary of Defense”;

15 (ii) in subparagraph (A) by striking  
16 “(other than the Coast Guard)” and in-  
17 serting “members of the Armed Forces”;

18 (iii) in subparagraph (B) by striking  
19 “(other than the Coast Guard)”;

20 (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “, in  
21 consultation with the Secretary of the depart-  
22 ment in which the Coast Guard is operating,”  
23 after “Secretary of Defense”;

24 (C) in paragraph (3) by inserting “, in  
25 consultation with the Secretary of the depart-

1           ment in which the Coast Guard is operating,”  
2           after “Secretary of Defense”;

3           (4) in subsection (e) by striking “Secretary of  
4       Defense shall” and inserting “Secretary of Defense  
5       and, with regard to the Coast Guard, the Secretary  
6       of the department in which the Coast Guard is oper-  
7       ating”.

8   **SEC. 5. PAYMENTS INTO THE FUND.**

9       Section 1466 of title 10, United States Code, is  
10   amended—

11           (1) in subsection (a)—

12                (A) in the matter preceding paragraph

13           (1)—

14                   (i) by striking “Secretary of Defense  
15                   shall” and inserting “Secretary of Defense  
16                   and the Secretary of the department in  
17                   which the Coast Guard is operating, with  
18                   respect to the Coast guard, shall”; and

19                   (ii) by striking “each month as the  
20                   Department of Defense contribution” and  
21                   inserting “each month the respective pro  
22                   rata share contribution of the Secretary of  
23                   Defense and the Secretary of the depart-  
24                   ment in which the Coast Guard is oper-  
25                   ating”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (1)(B) by striking  
 2 “(other than the Coast Guard)”; and

3 (C) by striking the flush language fol-  
 4 lowing paragraph (1)(B) and inserting the fol-  
 5 lowing new subsection:

6 “(b) Amounts paid into the Fund under this sub-  
 7 section shall be paid from funds available for as appro-  
 8 priate—

9 “(1) the pay of members of the armed forces  
 10 under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of a military  
 11 department; or

12 “(2) the Retired Pay appropriation for the  
 13 Coast Guard.”;

14 (2) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as  
 15 subsections (c) and (d), respectively; and

16 (3) in subsection (c) (as so redesignated)—

17 (A) in paragraph (2)(A) by striking “liabil-  
 18 ity of the Fund.” and inserting “liabilities of  
 19 the Fund for the Department of Defense and  
 20 the Coast Guard.”; and

21 (B) in paragraph (3) by inserting “and the  
 22 Secretary of the Department in which the Coast  
 23 Guard is operating” before “shall promptly”.

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