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H. R. 3752

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a grant program for veterans to become appraisers for home loans under chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 15, 2019

Mr. HARDER of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Stop Discrimination
5 Against Veteran Home Buyers Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM FOR APPRAISERS.**

7 (a) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Veterans
8 Affairs shall carry out a two-year grant program for vet-

1 erans to become VA home loan appraisers. The grant pro-
2 gram shall be known as the “Veterans Serving Veterans
3 Appraiser Program”.

4 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The Secretary may award
5 a grant under subsection (a) to any of the following:

6 (1) A congressionally chartered veterans service
7 organization.

8 (2) A State, local, or Tribal veterans service
9 agency.

10 (3) A nonprofit organization that has histori-
11 cally served veterans housing needs.

12 (4) A nonprofit entity that the Secretary deter-
13 mines has a demonstrated history of community en-
14 gagement.

15 (5) Any other entity the Secretary determines
16 appropriate.

17 (c) AMOUNT; FREQUENCY.—A grant awarded under
18 subsection (a) may not exceed \$500,000. The Secretary
19 may not award more than one grant to a single eligible
20 entity.

21 (d) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity that is awarded a
22 grant under subsection (a) shall use such grant to estab-
23 lish and carry out training programs for veterans to be-
24 come VA home loan appraisers.

1 (e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
2 regulations to carry out this section, including with respect
3 to the evaluation of applications for grants awarded under
4 subsection (a). Such evaluation shall prioritize eligible en-
5 tities that will use the grant on programs to train veterans
6 who will become VA home loan appraisers in the county
7 in which the veteran resides.

8 (f) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date
9 on which the grant program under subsection (a) com-
10 mences, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to
11 the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and the
12 Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Rep-
13 resentatives a report on—

14 (1) the number of veterans participating in a
15 training program to become a VA home loan ap-
16 praiser pursuant to such grant program; and

17 (2) the types and locations of the entities that
18 have been awarded a grant.

19 (g) VA HOME LOAN APPRAISER DEFINED.—In this
20 section, the term “VA home loan appraiser” means an ap-
21 praiser described in section 3731(a)(3) of title 38, United
22 States Code.

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