

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 4300 With Amendments

(The amendments strike all after the enacting clause and insert a new text and a new title)

117TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4300

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 1, 2021

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS (for herself, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. LONG, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. DUNN, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. HILL, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Ms. HERRELL, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. BENTZ, Mr. SABLAN, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. SOTO, Mr. BROWN, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. MELJER, Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas, Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MANN, Mr. OWENS, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. LAMB, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. CROW, Mr. WALTZ, Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. CHENEY, Mr. PENCE, Ms. GRANGER, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. COLE, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. BOST, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. LIEU, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. GOHMERT, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mrs. LURIA, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. GARBARINO, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. LAHOOD, Ms. FOXX, Mr. MCCARTHY, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. GIBBS, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. CARL, Mr. MAST, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mrs. WALORSKI, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. HARRIS, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. CLYDE, Mr. BROOKS, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. BARR, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. EMMER, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. BUCK, Mr.

AMODEI, Mr. OBERNOLTE, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, Mr. ISSA, Mr. WEBSTER of Florida, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. NEGUSE, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, and Mr. MOORE of Alabama) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

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 “Alexander Lofgren
5 Veterans in Parks (VIP) Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. RECREATION PASSES.**

7 Section 805 of the Federal Lands Recreation En-
8 hancement Act (Public Law 108–447; 118 Stat. 3385; 16
9 U.S.C. 6804) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)(4), by striking “age and
11 disability discounted” and inserting “age discount
12 and lifetime”; and

13 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) in the heading, by striking “DIS-
2 COUNTED” and inserting “FREE AND DIS-
3 COUNTED”;

4 (B) in paragraph (2)—

5 (i) in the heading, by striking “DIS-
6 ABILITY DISCOUNT” and inserting “LIFE-
7 TIME PASSES”; and

8 (ii) by striking subparagraph (B) and
9 inserting the following:

10 “(B) Any veteran who provides adequate
11 proof of military service as determined by the
12 Secretary.

13 “(C) Any member of a Gold Star Family
14 who meets the eligibility requirements of section
15 3.2 of Department of Defense Instruction
16 1348.36 (or a successor instruction).”; and

17 (C) in paragraph (3)—

18 (i) in the heading, by striking “GOLD
19 STAR FAMILIES PARKS PASS” and inserting
20 “ANNUAL PASSES”; and

21 (ii) by striking “members of” and all
22 that follows through the end of the sen-
23 tence and inserting “members of the
24 Armed Forces and their dependents who
25 provide adequate proof of eligibility for

1 such pass as determined by the Sec-
2 retary.”.

3 **SEC. 3. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

4 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
5 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
6 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
7 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
8 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
9 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-
10 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
11 vote on passage.

 Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to direct the
Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture
to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational
Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces,
and for other purposes.”.