

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 7365
OFFERED BY MR. GREEN OF TENNESSEE**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Expedited
3 TSA Screening Safe Travel Act” or the “VETS Safe
4 Travel Act”.

**5 SEC. 2. AVAILABILITY OF PRECHECK PROGRAM TO CER-
6 TAIN SEVERELY INJURED OR DISABLED VET-
7 ERANS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 44927 of title 49, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new subsection:

11 “(g) AVAILABILITY OF PRECHECK PROGRAM TO
12 CERTAIN SEVERELY INJURED OR DISABLED VET-
13 ERANS.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A veteran described in
15 paragraph (2) is eligible for security screening under
16 the PreCheck Program under section 44919 at no
17 cost to the veteran if the veteran is able to meet the

1 background check and other security requirements
2 for participation in the Program.

3 “(2) VETERANS DESCRIBED.—A veteran de-
4 scribed in this paragraph is a veteran who—

5 “(A) is enrolled in the patient enrollment
6 system of the Department of Veterans Affairs
7 established and operated under section 1705 of
8 title 38, United States Code;

9 “(B) has—

10 “(i) lost, or lost use of, a limb;

11 “(ii) become paralyzed or partially
12 paralyzed; or

13 “(iii) incurred permanent blindness;

14 and

15 “(C) as a result of a loss, paralyzation or
16 partial paralyzation, or blindness described in
17 subparagraph (B), requires the use of a wheel-
18 chair, prosthetic limb, or other assistive device
19 to aid with mobility.

20 “(3) LIMITATION.—The Administrator of the
21 Transportation Security Administration shall carry
22 out this subsection subject to the availability of ap-
23 propriations and may not increase fees for enroll-
24 ment in the PreCheck Program for such purpose.”.

1 (b) COORDINATION ON IMPLEMENTATION.—The Ad-
2 ministrator of the Transportation Security Administration
3 and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly—

4 (1) implement a process under which a veteran
5 described in paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of sec-
6 tion 44927 of title 49, United States Code, as added
7 by subsection (a), can receive the benefits under
8 such subsection by not later than one year after the
9 date of enactment of this Act; and

10 (2) provide to Congress a briefing on the status
11 of implementing the process required by paragraph
12 (1) by not later than one year after the date of the
13 enactment of this Act.

14 (c) OUTREACH FOR DISABLED VETERANS ON AVAIL-
15 ABILITY OF TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRA-
16 TION PROGRAMS.—

17 (1) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Vet-
18 erans Affairs and the Administrator of the Trans-
19 portation Security Administration shall implement a
20 process under which the Secretary provides to dis-
21 abled veterans effective outreach regarding Trans-
22 portation Security Administration programs de-
23 signed to improve the screening process for pas-
24 sengers with disabilities.

1 (2) FURTHER ENHANCEMENTS TO EASE AIR
2 TRAVEL FOR WOUNDED WARRIORS AND OTHER DIS-
3 ABLED VETERANS.—Notwithstanding subchapter I
4 of chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (com-
5 monly referred to as the “Paperwork Reduction
6 Act”), or any other provision of law, the Secretary
7 of Veterans Affairs, in coordination with the Admin-
8 istrator of the Transportation Security Administra-
9 tion, shall—

10 (A) engage appropriate veterans service or-
11 ganizations and other relevant organizations, as
12 appropriate, to assess the awareness of veterans
13 of relevant Transportation Security Administra-
14 tion programs; and

15 (B) examine the need and feasibility of
16 other measures to improve travel security proce-
17 dures for disabled veterans.

18 (3) BRIEFING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than
19 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
20 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Adminis-
21 trator of Transportation Security Administration
22 shall jointly provide to Congress a briefing on the
23 status of the implementation of paragraphs (1) and
24 (2).

