

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 4087
OFFERED BY M.S. Titus**

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF DEFINITION OF “SURVIVING**
2 **SPOUSE” FOR PURPOSES OF LAWS ADMINIS-**
3 **TERED BY SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-**
4 **FAIRS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(3) of title 38, United
6 States Code, is amended by striking “and who has not
7 remarried” and all that follows through “such other per-
8 son”.

9 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Such title is fur-
10 ther amended as follows:

11 (1) In section 103—

12 (A) by striking subsection (d); and

13 (B) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-
14 section (d).

15 (2) In section 1922(b)(2)(A), by striking “and
16 while unremarried”.

17 (3) In section 2306(b)(4), by striking “sub-
18 section:” and all that follows and inserting the fol-
19 lowing: “subsection, the term ‘veteran’ includes an

1 individual who dies in the military, naval, or air
2 service.”.

3 (4) In section 2402(a)(5), by striking “(which
4 for purposes of this chapter includes a surviving
5 spouse who had a subsequent remarriage)”.

6 (5) In section 5110(l), by inserting after “re-
7 marriage by death or divorce” the following: “occur-
8 ring before the date of the enactment of the Love
9 Lives on Act of 2016”.

10 (6) In section 5120—

11 (A) in subsection (b), by striking “or in
12 the case of a surviving spouse, if the postal em-
13 ployee believes that the surviving spouse has re-
14 married (unless the mail is addressed to the
15 surviving spouse in the name the surviving
16 spouse has acquired by the remarriage)”;

17 (B) in subsection (c), by striking “or re-
18 marriage” both places it appears.

19 (7) In section 5121(3), by striking “or remar-
20 ried surviving spouse”.

21 (8) In section 7297(f)(2), by striking “termi-
22 nated” and all that follows through the period and
23 inserting “upon the surviving spouse’s death.”.

24 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
25 this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment

- 1 of this Act and shall apply with respect to benefits payable
- 2 for months beginning on or after such date.

