[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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118TH CONGRESS 2D Session

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an annual increase in stipend for books, supplies, equipment, and other educational costs under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

M____ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an annual increase in stipend for books, supplies, equipment, and other educational costs under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of Department of Veterans Affairs.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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1	SECTION 1. ANNUAL INCREASE IN STIPEND FOR BOOKS,
2	SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, AND OTHER EDU-
3	CATIONAL COSTS UNDER POST-9/11 EDU-
4	CATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF DE-
5	PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.
6	Section 3313 of title 38, United States Code, is
7	amended—
8	(1) in subsection $(c)(1)(B)(iv)(I)$, by striking
9	"\$1,000" and inserting "\$1,400";
10	(2) in subsection $(e)(2)(B)(i)$, by striking
11	"\$1,000" and inserting "\$1,400"; and
12	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
13	section:
14	"(m) ANNUAL INCREASE IN STIPEND FOR BOOKS,
15	Supplies, Equipment, and Other Educational
16	COSTS.—With respect to fiscal year 2025 and each subse-
17	quent fiscal year, the Secretary shall provide a percentage
18	increase (rounded to the nearest dollar) in the amounts
19	payable under subsections $(c)(1)(B)(iv)(I)$, $(e)(2)(B)(i)$,
20	and (g)(3)(A)(iii), equal to the percentage by which—
21	((1) the Consumer Price Index for all urban
22	consumers (U.S. city average) for the 12-month pe-
23	riod ending on the June 30 preceding the beginning
24	of the fiscal year for which the increase is made, ex-
25	ceeds

"(2) the Consumer Price Index for the 12 month period preceding the 12-month period de scribed in paragraph (1).".