

**Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H. R. 5882, With an  
Amendment**

**(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a  
new text)**

115<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 5882

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2018

Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself and Mr. WENSTRUP) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## 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 “Gold Star Spouses  
5 Leasing Relief Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF LEASES OF PREMISES OF DE-**  
2 **CEASED SERVICEMEMBERS WHO DIE WHILE**  
3 **IN MILITARY SERVICE.**

4 Section 305(a) of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act  
5 (50 U.S.C. 3955) is amended—

6 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “BY  
7 LESSEE”;

8 (2) in the heading for paragraph (1), by strik-  
9 ing “IN GENERAL” and inserting “TERMINATION BY  
10 LESSEE”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
12 paragraph:

13 “(3) DEATH OF LESSEE.—The spouse of the  
14 lessee on a lease described in subsection (b)(1) may  
15 terminate the lease during the one-year period begin-  
16 ning on the date of the death of the lessee, if the  
17 lessee dies while in military service or while per-  
18 forming full-time National Guard duty, active Guard  
19 and Reserve duty, or inactive-duty training (as such  
20 terms are defined in section 101(d) of title 10,  
21 United States Code).”.