

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 6604, with an Amendment

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

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 6604

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 2022

Mr. BUCHANAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Veterans Eligible to
5 Transfer School (VETS) Credit Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CHARGE TO ENTITLEMENT TO EDUCATIONAL AS-**
2 **SISTANCE FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT**
3 **TRANSFER CREDITS FROM CERTAIN CLOSED**
4 **OR DISAPPROVED PROGRAMS OF EDU-**
5 **CATION.**

6 Section 3699(c)(2)(A) of title 38, United States
7 Code, is amended—

8 (1) by striking “An individual” and inserting
9 “(i) An individual”;

10 (2) by designating the second sentence as
11 clause (iv) and indenting appropriately; and

12 (3) by inserting after clause (i), as designated
13 by paragraph (1), the following new clauses:

14 “(ii) In carrying out clause (i), the Secretary shall—

15 “(I) require an individual to certify in writing
16 that the individual has transferred fewer than 12
17 credits as described in such clause;

18 “(II) require an individual who makes a certifi-
19 cation under subclause (I) to acknowledge in writing
20 that if the individual transfers 12 or more credits as
21 described in such clause (i)—

22 “(aa) the individual may not be deemed
23 under such clause to be an individual who did
24 not receive such credits; and

1 “(bb) the Secretary shall rescind the cer-
2 tificate of eligibility provided under subclause
3 (IV);

4 “(III) accept a certification under subclause (I)
5 as proof of the individual transferring fewer than 12
6 credits; and

7 “(IV) provide to the individual who makes a
8 certification under subclause (I) and makes the ac-
9 knowledgment under subclause (II) a certificate of
10 eligibility that the individual may provide to an edu-
11 cational institution as proof of the individual being
12 covered by this paragraph.

13 “(iii) The Secretary shall notify individuals described
14 in subparagraph (B) of being eligible to be covered by this
15 paragraph.”.

16 **SEC. 3. ELIMINATION OF REQUIREMENT TO SPECIFY AN**
17 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF A TRANSFER OF**
18 **POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO A**
19 **DEPENDENT.**

20 Section 3319(e) of title 38, United States Code, is
21 amended—

22 (1) in paragraph (1), by adding “and” after the
23 semicolon;

24 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “; and” and
25 inserting a period; and

1 (3) by striking paragraph (3).

2 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

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