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То	make permanent certain educational assistance benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Vet- erans Affairs in the case of changes to courses of edu- cation by reason of emergency situations, and for other purposes.
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	MENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended be proposed by Mr. MORAN (for himself and Mr. TESTER)
Viz	:
1	Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-
2	lowing:
3	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
4	(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5	"Veterans Auto and Education Improvement Act of
6	2022".
7	(b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
8	this Act is as follows:
	Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.Sec. 2. Educational assistance benefits during emergency situations.Sec. 3. Extension of time limitations for use of entitlement.

Sec. 4. Extension of payment of vocational rehabilitation subsistence allow-

ances.

- Sec. 5. Payment of work-study allowances during emergency situations.
- Sec. 6. Payment of allowances to veterans enrolled in educational institutions closed for emergency situations.
- Sec. 7. Apprenticeship or on-job training requirements.
- Sec. 8. Prohibition of charge to entitlement of students unable to pursue a program of education due to an emergency situation.
- Sec. 9. Department of Veterans Affairs approval of certain study-abroad programs.
- Sec. 10. Eligibility for educational assistance under Department of Veterans Affairs Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of certain individuals who receive sole survivorship discharges.
- Sec. 11. Uniform application for Department of Veterans Affairs approval of courses of education.
- Sec. 12. Notice requirements for Department of Veterans Affairs education surveys.
- Sec. 13. Exception to requirement to submit verification of enrollment of certain individuals.
- Sec. 14. Expansion of eligibility for self-employment assistance under veteran readiness and employment program.
- Sec. 15. Possible definitions of certain terms relating to educational assistance.
- Sec. 16. Extension of certain limits on payments of pension.
- Sec. 17. Termination of certain consumer contracts by servicemembers and dependents who enter into contracts after receiving military orders for permanent change of station but then receive stop movement orders due to an emergency situation.
- Sec. 18. Residence for tax purposes.
- Sec. 19. Portability of professional licenses of members of the uniformed services and their spouses.
- Sec. 20. Provision of nonarticulating trailers as adaptive equipment.
- Sec. 21. Eligibility for Department of Veterans Affairs provision of additional automobile or other conveyance.
- Sec. 22. Department of Veterans Affairs treatment of certain vehicle modifications as medical services.
- Sec. 23. Determination of budgetary effects.

1 SEC. 2. EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE BENEFITS DURING

- 2 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.
- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 36 of title 38, United
- 4 States Code, is amended—
- 5 (1) by redesignating subchapters I and II as
- 6 subchapters II and III, respectively; and
- 7 (2) by inserting before subchapter II, as so re-
- 8 designated, the following new subchapter:

1	"SUBCHAPTER I—EMERGENCY	SITUATIONS

2 "§ 3601. Definition of emergency situation

- 3 "In this chapter, the term 'emergency situation'
- 4 means a situation that—
- 5 "(1) the President declares is an emergency;
- 6 and
- 7 "(2) the Secretary determines is an emergency
- 8 for purposes of the laws administered by the Sec-
- 9 retary.

10 "§ 3602. Continuation of educational assistance bene-

11 fits during emergency situations

- 12 "(a) AUTHORITY.—(1) If the Secretary determines
- 13 under subsection (c) that an individual is negatively af-
- 14 fected by an emergency situation, the Secretary may pro-
- 15 vide educational assistance to that individual under the
- 16 laws administered by the Secretary as if such negative ef-
- 17 fects did not occur.
- 18 "(2) The authority under this section is in addition
- 19 to the other authorities of the Secretary to provide benefits
- 20 in emergency situations, but in no case may the Secretary
- 21 provide more than a total of four weeks of additional edu-
- 22 cational assistance by reason of any other such authority
- 23 and this section.

1 "(b) Housing and Allowances.—In providing 2 educational assistance to an individual pursuant to sub-3 section (a), the Secretary may— 4 "(1) continue to pay a monthly housing stipend 5 under chapter 33 of this title, during a month the 6 individual would have been enrolled in a program of 7 education or training but for the emergency situa-8 tion at the same rate such stipend would have been 9 payable if the individual had not been negatively af-10 fected by the emergency situation, except that the 11 total number of weeks for which stipends may con-12 tinue to be so payable may not exceed four weeks; 13 and 14 "(2) continue to pay payments or subsistence 15 allowances under chapters 30, 31, 32, 33, and 35 of 16 this title and chapter 1606 of title 10 during a 17 month for a period of time that the individual would 18 have been enrolled in a program of education or 19 training but for the emergency situation, except that 20 the total number of weeks for which payments or al-21 lowances may continue to be so payable may not ex-22 ceed four weeks. 23 "(c) Determination of Negative Effects.—The Secretary shall determine that an individual was nega-25 tively affected by an emergency situation if—

1 "(1) the individual is enrolled in a covered pro-2 gram of education of an educational institution or 3 enrolled in training at a training establishment and 4 is pursuing such program or training using edu-5 cational assistance under the laws administered by 6 the Secretary; "(2) the educational institution or training es-7 8 tablishment certifies to the Secretary that such pro-9 gram or training is truncated, delayed, relocated, 10 canceled, partially canceled, converted from being 11 on-site to being offered by distance learning, or oth-12 erwise modified or made unavailable by reason of the 13 emergency situation; and 14 "(3) the Secretary determines that the modi-15 fication to such program or training specified under 16 paragraph (2) would reduce the amount of edu-17 cational assistance (including with respect to month-18 ly housing stipends, payments, or subsistence allow-19 ances) that would be payable to the individual but 20 for the emergency situation. 21 "(d) Effect on Entitlement Period.—If the 22 Secretary determines that an individual who received as-23 sistance under this section did not make progress toward the completion of the program of education in which the individual is enrolled during the period for which the indi-

vidual received such assistance, any assistance provided pursuant to this section shall not be counted for purposes 3 of determining the total amount of an individual's entitle-4 ment to educational assistance, housing stipends, or payments or subsistence allowances under chapters 30, 31, 32, and 35 of this title and chapter 1606 of title 10. 6 7 "§ 3603. Continuation of educational assistance bene-8 fits for certain programs of education 9 converted to distance learning by reason 10 of emergency situations 11 "In the case of a program of education approved by 12 a State approving agency, or the Secretary when acting in the role of a State approving agency, that is converted from being offered on-site at an educational institution or 14 15 training establishment to being offered by distance learning by reason of an emergency or health-related situation, 16 17 as determined by the Secretary, the Secretary may con-18 tinue to provide educational assistance under the laws ad-19 ministered by the Secretary without regard to such conver-20 sion, including with respect to paying any— 21 "(1) monthly housing stipends under chapter 22 33 of this title; or 23 "(2) payments or subsistence allowances under 24 chapters 30, 31, 32, and 35 of this title and chapter 25 1606 of title 10.

1	"§ 3604. Effects of closure of educational institution
2	and modification of courses by reason of
3	emergency situation
4	"(a) Closure or Disapproval.—Any payment of
5	educational assistance described in subsection (b) shall
6	not—
7	"(1) be charged against any entitlement to edu-
8	cational assistance of the individual concerned; or
9	"(2) be counted against the aggregate period
10	for which section 3695 of this title limits the receipt
11	of educational assistance by such individual.
12	"(b) Educational Assistance Described.—Sub-
13	ject to subsection (d), the payment of educational assist-
14	ance described in this subsection is the payment of such
15	assistance to an individual for pursuit of a course or pro-
16	gram of education at an educational institution under
17	chapter 30, 31, 32, 33, or 35 of this title or chapter 1606
18	of title 10, if the Secretary determines that the indi-
19	vidual—
20	"(1) was unable to complete such course or pro-
21	gram as a result of—
22	"(A) the closure of the educational institu-
23	tion, or the full or partial cancellation of a
24	course or program of education, by reason of an
25	emergency situation; or

1	"(B) the disapproval of the course or a
2	course that is a necessary part of that program
3	under this chapter because the course was
4	modified by reason of such emergency; and
5	"(2) did not receive credit or lost training time,
6	toward completion of the program of education being
7	so pursued.
8	"(c) Housing Assistance.—In this section, edu-
9	cational assistance includes, as applicable—
10	"(1) monthly housing stipends payable under
11	chapter 33 of this title for any month the individual
12	would have been enrolled in a course or program of
13	education; and
14	"(2) payments or subsistence allowances under
15	chapters 30, 31, 32, and 35 of this title and chapter
16	1606 of title 10 during a month the individual would
17	have been enrolled in a course or program of edu-
18	cation.
19	"(d) Period Not Charged.—The period for which,
20	by reason of this section, educational assistance is not
21	charged against entitlement or counted toward the appli-
22	cable aggregate period under section 3695 of this title
23	shall not exceed the aggregate of—
24	"(1) the portion of the period of enrollment in
25	the course from which the individual did not receive

- 1 credit or with respect to which the individual lost
- 2 training time, as determined under subsection
- (b)(2); and
- 4 "(2) the period by which a monthly stipend is
- 5 extended under section 3680(a)(2)(B) of this title.
- 6 "(e) Continuing Pursuit of Disapproved
- 7 Courses.—(1) The Secretary may treat a course of edu-
- 8 cation that is disapproved under this chapter as being ap-
- 9 proved under this chapter with respect to an individual
- 10 described in paragraph (2) if the Secretary determines,
- 11 on a programmatic basis, that—
- "(A) such disapproval is the result of an action
- described in subsection (b)(1)(B); and
- 14 "(B) continuing pursuing such course is in the
- best interest of the individual.
- 16 "(2) An individual described in this paragraph is an
- 17 individual who is pursuing a course of education at an
- 18 educational institution under chapter 30, 31, 32, 33, or
- 19 35 of this title or chapter 1606 of title 10, as of the date
- 20 on which the course is disapproved as described in sub-
- 21 section (b)(1)(B).
- 22 "(f) Status as Full-time Student for Pur-
- 23 Poses of Housing Stipend Calculation.—In the case
- 24 of an individual who, as of the first day of an emergency
- 25 situation was enrolled on a full-time basis in a program

- 1 of education and was receiving educational assistance
- 2 under chapter 33 of this title or subsistence allowance
- 3 under chapter 31 of this title, and for whom the Secretary
- 4 makes a determination under subsection (b), the indi-
- 5 vidual shall be treated as an individual enrolled in a pro-
- 6 gram of education on a full-time basis for the purpose of
- 7 calculating monthly housing stipends payable under chap-
- 8 ter 33 of this title, or subsistence allowance payable under
- 9 chapter 31 of this title, for any month the individual is
- 10 enrolled in the program of education on a part-time basis
- 11 to complete any course of education that was partially or
- 12 fully canceled by reason of the emergency situation.
- 13 "(g) NOTICE OF CLOSURES.—Not later than five
- 14 business days after the date on which the Secretary re-
- 15 ceives notice that an educational institution will close or
- 16 is closed by reason of an emergency situation, the Sec-
- 17 retary shall provide to each individual who is enrolled in
- 18 a course or program of education at such educational in-
- 19 stitution using entitlement to educational assistance under
- 20 chapter 30, 31, 32, 33, or 35 of this title, or chapter 1606
- 21 of title 10 notice of—
- 22 "(1) such closure and the date of such closure;
- 23 and

1	"(2) the effect of such closure on the individ-
2	ual's entitlement to educational assistance pursuant
3	to this section.
4	"§ 3605. Payment of educational assistance in cases of
5	withdrawal
6	"(a) In General.—In the case of any individual who
7	withdraws from a program of education or training, other
8	than a program by correspondence, in an educational in-
9	stitution under chapter 31, 34, or 35 of this title for a
10	covered reason during the period of an emergency situa-
11	tion, the Secretary shall find mitigating circumstances for
12	purposes of section 3680(a)(1)(C)(ii) of this title.
13	"(b) COVERED REASON.—In this section, the term
14	'covered reason' means any reason related to an emer-
15	gency situation, including—
16	"(1) illness, quarantine, or social distancing re-
17	quirements;
18	"(2) issues associated with accessibility;
19	"(3) access or availability of childcare;
20	"(4) providing care for a family member or co-
21	habitants;
22	"(5) change of location or residence due to the
23	emergency situation or associated school closures;
24	"(6) employment changes or financial hardship;
25	and

1	"(7) issues associated with changes in format
2	or medium of instruction.".
3	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
4	at the beginning of such chapter is amended—
5	(1) by striking the item relating to subchapter
6	II and inserting the following new item:
	"SUBCHAPTER III-MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS".
7	(2) by striking the item relating to subchapter
8	I and inserting the following new item:
	"SUBCHAPTER II-STATE APPROVING AGENCIES".
9	(3) by inserting before the item relating to sub-
10	chapter II the following new items:
	"SUBCHAPTER I-EMERGENCY SITUATIONS
	 "3601. Definition of emergency situation. "3602. Continuation of educational assistance benefits during emergency situations. "3603. Continuation of educational assistance benefits for certain programs of education converted to distance learning by reason of emergency situations. "3604. Effects of closure of educational institution and modification of courses by reason of emergency situation. "3605. Payment of educational assistance in cases of withdrawal.".
11	(c) Conforming Repeals.—The following provi-
12	sions of law are repealed:
13	(1) Sections 1102, 1103, and 1104 of the John-
14	ny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health
15	Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (Public
16	Law 116–315).
17	(2) Public Law 116–128.

1	SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF TIME LIMITATIONS FOR USE OF EN
2	TITLEMENT.
3	(a) Montgomery BI Bill.—Section 3031 of title
4	38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
5	the following new subsection:
6	"(i) In the case of an individual eligible for edu-
7	cational assistance under this chapter who is prevented
8	from pursuing the individual's chosen program of edu-
9	cation before the expiration of the 10-year period for the
10	use of entitlement under this chapter otherwise applicable
11	under this section because the educational institution or
12	training establishment closed (temporarily or perma-
13	nently) under an established policy based on an Executive
14	order of the President or due to an emergency situation
15	such 10-year period—
16	"(1) shall not run during the period the indi-
17	vidual is so prevented from pursuing such program
18	and
19	"(2) shall again begin running on the first day
20	after the individual is able to resume pursuit of ϵ
21	program of education with educational assistance
22	under this chapter.".
23	(b) Post-9/11 Educational Assistance.—
24	(1) In general.—Section 3321(b)(1) of such
25	title is amended—

1	(A) by inserting "(A)" before "Sub-
2	sections";
3	(B) in subparagraph (A), as designated by
4	subparagraph (A), by striking "and (d)" and
5	inserting "(d), and (i)"; and
6	(C) by adding at the end the following new
7	subparagraph:
8	"(B) Subsection (i) of section 3031 shall apply
9	with respect to the running of the 15-year period de-
10	scribed in paragraphs (4)(A) and (5)(A) of this sub-
11	section in the same manner as such subsection ap-
12	plies under section 3031 of this title with respect to
13	the running of the 10-year period described in sec-
14	tion 3031(a) of this title.".
15	(2) Transfer Period.—Section 3319(h)(5) of
16	such title is amended—
17	(A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting "or
18	(C)" after "subparagraph (B)"; and
19	(B) by adding at the end the following new
20	subparagraph:
21	"(C) Emergency situations.—In any
22	case in which the Secretary determines that an
23	individual to whom entitlement is transferred
24	under this section has been prevented from pur-
25	suing the individual's chosen program of edu-

1	cation before the individual attains the age of
2	26 years because the educational institution or
3	training establishment closed (temporarily or
4	permanently) under an established policy based
5	on an Executive order of the President or due
6	to an emergency situation, the Secretary shall
7	extend the period during which the individual
8	may use such entitlement for a period equal to
9	the number of months that the individual was
10	so prevented from pursuing the program of
11	education, as determined by the Secretary.".
12	(c) Vocational Rehabilitation and Training.—
13	(1) Period for use.—Section 3103 of such
14	title is amended—
15	(A) in subsection (a), by striking "or (g)"
16	and inserting "(g), or (h)"; and
17	(B) by adding at the end the following new
18	subsection:
19	"(h) In any case in which the Secretary determines
20	that a veteran has been prevented from participating in
21	a vocational rehabilitation program under this chapter
22	within the 12-year period of eligibility prescribed in sub-
23	section (a) due to an emergency situation, such 12-year
24	period—

1	"(1) shall not run during the period the indi-
2	vidual is so prevented from participating such pro-
3	gram; and
4	"(2) shall again begin running on the first day
5	after the individual is able to resume participation in
6	such program.".
7	(2) Duration of Program.—Section 3105(b)
8	of such title is amended—
9	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "para-
10	graph (2)" and inserting "paragraphs (2) and
11	(3)"; and
12	(B) by adding at the end the following new
13	paragraph:
14	"(3)(A) In any case in which the Secretary deter-
15	mines that a veteran has been prevented from partici-
16	pating in counseling and placement and postplacement
17	services described in paragraphs (2) and (5) of section
18	3104(a) of this title due to an emergency situation, the
19	Secretary shall extend the period during which the Sec-
20	retary may provide such counseling and placement and
21	postplacement services for the veteran for a period equal
22	to the number of months that the veteran was so pre-
23	vented from participating in such counseling and services,
24	as determined by the Secretary.

1 "(B) In any case in which the Secretary determines 2 that a veteran has been prevented from participating in 3 a vocational rehabilitation program under this chapter due to an emergency situation, the Secretary shall extend the period of the veteran's vocational rehabilitation program for a period equal to the number of months that the vet-6 7 eran was so prevented from participating in the vocational 8 rehabilitation program, as determined by the Secretary.". 9 (d) Educational Assistance for Members of 10 THE SELECTED RESERVE.—Section 16133(b) of title 10, 11 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the 12 following new paragraph: 13 "(5) In any case in which the Secretary con-14 cerned determines that a person entitled to edu-15 cational assistance under this chapter has been pre-16 vented from using such person's entitlement due to 17 an emergency situation, the Secretary concerned 18 shall extend the period of entitlement prescribed in 19 subsection (a) for a period equal to the number of 20 months that the person was so prevented from using 21 such entitlement, as determined by the Secretary.". 22 (e) Emergency Situation Defined.— 23 (1) Post-9/11 educational assistance pro-24 GRAM.—Section 3301 of title 38, United States 25 Code, is amended—

1	(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2)
2	through (4) as paragraphs (3) through (5), re-
3	spectively; and
4	(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
5	following new paragraph (2):
6	"(2) The term 'emergency situation' has the
7	meaning given such term in section 3601 of this
8	title.".
9	(2) MGIB.—Section 3002 of such title is
10	amended by adding at the end the following new
11	paragraph:
12	"(9) The term 'emergency situation' has the
13	meaning given such term in section 3601 of this
14	title.".
15	(3) Vocational rehabilitation and train-
16	ING.—
17	(A) In General.—Section 3101 of such
18	title is amended—
19	(i) by redesignating paragraphs (1)
20	through (9) as paragraphs (2) through
21	(10), respectively; and
22	(ii) by inserting before paragraph (2),
23	as redesignated by clause (i), the following
24	new paragraph:

1	"(10) The term 'emergency situation' has the
2	meaning given such term in section 3601 of this
3	title.".
4	(B) Conforming amendments.—Such
5	title is amended—
6	(i) in section $1728(a)(4)(A)$, by strik-
7	ing "section 3101(9) of" and inserting
8	"section 3101 of"; and
9	(ii) in section 3695(b), by striking "in
10	section 3101(5)" and inserting "in section
11	3101".
12	(4) Educational assistance for members
13	OF THE SELECTED RESERVE.—Section 16133 of
14	title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding
15	at the end the following new subsection:
16	"(c) In this section, the term 'emergency situation'
17	has the meaning given such term in section 3601 of title
18	38.".
19	(f) Conforming Repeal.—Section 6 of the Student
20	Veteran Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 (Public Law
21	116–140) is repealed.

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1	SEC. 4.	EXTENSION	\mathbf{OF}	PAYMENT	\mathbf{OF}	VOCATIONAL	REHA.

- 2 BILITATION SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES.
- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3104 of title 38, United
- 4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 5 lowing new subsection:
- 6 "(e) In the case of any veteran whom the Secretary
- 7 determines is satisfactorily following a program of employ-
- 8 ment services provided under subsection (a)(5) during the
- 9 period of an emergency situation, the Secretary may pay
- 10 the veteran a subsistence allowance, as prescribed in sec-
- 11 tion 3108 of this title for full-time training for the type
- 12 of program that the veteran was pursuing, for two addi-
- 13 tional months, if the Secretary determines that the veteran
- 14 is negatively affected by the emergency situation.".
- 15 (b) Conforming Repeal.—Section 8 of the Student
- 16 Veteran Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 (Public Law
- 17 116–140) is repealed.
- 18 SEC. 5. PAYMENT OF WORK-STUDY ALLOWANCES DURING
- 19 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.
- 20 (a) In General.—Section 3485 of title 38, United
- 21 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 22 lowing new subsection:
- (f)(1) In case of an individual who is in receipt of
- 24 work-study allowance pursuant to an agreement described
- 25 in subsection (a)(3) as of the date on which an emergency
- 26 situation occurs and who is unable to continue to perform

1 qualifying work-study activities described in subsection
2 (a)(4) by reason of the emergency situation—
3 "(A) the Secretary may continue to pay work-

study allowance under this section or make deductions described in subsection (e)(1) during the period of such emergency situation, notwithstanding the inability of the individual to perform such workstudy activities by reason of such emergency situa-

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"(B) at the option of the individual, the Secretary shall extend the agreement described in subsection (a)(3) with the individual for any subsequent period of enrollment initiated during the emergency situation, notwithstanding the inability of the individual to perform work-study activities described in subsection (a)(4) by reason of such emergency situation.

"(2) The amount of work-study allowance payable to an individual under paragraph (1)(A) during the period of an emergency situation shall be an amount determined by the Secretary but may not exceed the amount that would be payable under subsection (a)(2) if the individual worked 25 hours per week paid during such period.

"(3) The term 'emergency situation' has the meaning given that term in section 3601 of this title.".

1	(h)	Con	TEORMI	NG	Repeal.—	Section	3	of the	Stude	nt
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- 2 Veteran Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 (Public Law
- 3 116–140) is repealed.
- 4 SEC. 6. PAYMENT OF ALLOWANCES TO VETERANS EN-
- 5 ROLLED IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
- 6 CLOSED FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.
- 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3680 of title 38, United
- 8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 9 lowing new subsection:
- 10 "(h) Payments During Emergency Situa-
- 11 TIONS.—(1) The Secretary may pay allowances to an eligi-
- 12 ble veteran or eligible person under subsection (a)(2)(A),
- 13 if the veteran or person is enrolled in a program or course
- 14 of education that—
- 15 "(A) is provided by an educational institution
- or training establishment that is closed by reason of
- an emergency situation; or
- 18 "(B) is suspended by reason of an emergency
- 19 situation.
- 20 "(2) The total number of weeks for which allowances
- 21 may be paid by reason of this subsection may not exceed
- 22 four weeks.
- "(3) Any amount paid under this subsection shall not
- 24 be counted for purposes of the limitation on allowances
- 25 under subsection (a)(2)(A).".

- 1 (b) Conforming Repeal.—Section 4 of the Student
- 2 Veteran Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 (Public Law
- 3 116–140) is repealed.
- 4 SEC. 7. APPRENTICESHIP OR ON-JOB TRAINING REQUIRE-
- 5 MENTS.
- 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3687(e) of title 38,
- 7 United States Code, is amended by striking paragraph (2)
- 8 and inserting the following new paragraph (2):
- 9 "(2)(A) Subject to subparagraphs (B) and (C), for
- 10 any month in which an individual fails to complete 120
- 11 hours of training, the entitlement otherwise chargeable
- 12 under paragraph (1) shall be reduced in the same propor-
- 13 tion as the monthly training assistance allowance payable
- 14 is reduced under subsection (b)(3).
- 15 "(B) In the case of an individual who is unemployed
- 16 by reason of an emergency situation during any month,
- 17 the 120-hour requirement under subparagraph (A) for
- 18 that month shall be reduced proportionately to reflect the
- 19 individual's period of unemployment, except that the
- 20 amount of monthly training assistance otherwise payable
- 21 to the individual under subsection (b)(3) shall not be re-
- 22 duced.
- 23 "(C) Any period during which an individual is unem-
- 24 ployed by reason of an emergency situation shall not—

1	"(i) be charged against any entitlement to edu-
2	cational assistance of the individual; or
3	"(ii) be counted against the aggregate period
4	for which section 3695 of this title limits the receipt
5	of educational assistance by such individual.
6	"(D) Any amount by which the entitlement of an in-
7	dividual is reduced under subparagraph (A) shall not—
8	"(i) be charged against any entitlement to edu-
9	cational assistance of the individual; or
10	"(ii) be counted against the aggregate period
11	for which section 3695 of this title limits the receipt
12	of educational assistance by such individual.
13	"(E)(i) In the case of an individual who fails to com-
14	plete 120 hours of training during a month, but who com-
15	pleted more than 120 hours of training during the pre-
16	ceding month, the individual may apply the number of
17	hours in excess of 120 that the individual completed for
18	that month to the month for which the individual failed
19	to complete 120 hours. If the addition of such excess hours
20	results in a total of 120 hours or more, the individual shall
21	be treated as an individual who has completed 120 hours
22	of training for that month. Any excess hours applied to
23	a different month under this subparagraph may only be
24	applied to one such month.

- 1 "(F) This paragraph applies to amounts described in
- 2 section 3313(g)(3)(B)(iv) and section 3032(c)(2) of this
- 3 title and section 16131(d)(2) of title 10.
- 4 "(G) In this paragraph:
- 5 "(i) The term 'unemployed' includes being fur-
- 6 loughed or being scheduled to work zero hours.
- 7 "(ii) The term 'fails to complete 120 hours of
- 8 training' means, with respect to an individual, that
- 9 during any month, the individual completes at least
- one hour, but fewer than 120 hours, of training, in-
- cluding in a case in which the individual is unem-
- ployed for part of, but not the whole, month.".
- 13 (b) Conforming Repeal.—Section 1106 of the
- 14 Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health
- 15 Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (Public Law
- 16 116–315) is repealed.
- 17 SEC. 8. PROHIBITION OF CHARGE TO ENTITLEMENT OF
- 18 STUDENTS UNABLE TO PURSUE A PROGRAM
- 19 OF EDUCATION DUE TO AN EMERGENCY SIT-
- 20 UATION.
- 21 (a) PERMANENT APPLICABILITY.—Section
- 22 3699(b)(1) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—
- 23 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "or" at
- 24 the end;

1	(2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking "and"
2	at the end and inserting "or"; and
3	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
4	paragraph:
5	"(C) the temporary closure of an edu-
6	cational institution or training establishment or
7	the temporary closure or termination of a
8	course or program of education by reason of an
9	emergency situation; and".
10	(b) Conforming Repeal.—Section 5 of the Student
11	Veteran Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 (Public Law
12	116–140) is repealed.
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13	SEC. 9. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROVAL
	OF CERTAIN STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS.
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13 14 15 16	OF CERTAIN STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS.
14 15	OF CERTAIN STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38,
14 15 16	of Certain Study-Abroad Programs. (a) In General.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—
14 15 16 17	of Certain Study-Abroad Programs. (a) In General.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as
14 15 16 17	OF CERTAIN STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively;
14 15 16 17 18	of Certain Study-Abroad Programs. (a) In General.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; (2) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	of Certain Study-Abroad Programs. (a) In General.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; (2) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting "(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Sec-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	of Certain Study-Abroad Programs. (a) In General.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; (2) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting "(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary"; and
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	OF CERTAIN STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3680A(f) of title 38, United States Code, is amended— (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively; (2) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting "(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary"; and (3) by adding at the end the following new

1	more than five years, if the contract or other written
2	agreement under which the course is offered provides
3	that—
4	"(i) the educational institution that offers a
5	course that is approved under this chapter agrees—
6	"(I) to assume responsibility for the qual-
7	ity and content of the covered study-abroad
8	course; and
9	"(II) to serve as the certifying official for
10	the course for purposes of this chapter; and
11	"(ii) the educational institution that offers the
12	covered study-abroad course agrees to seek the ap-
13	proval of the course under this chapter by not later
14	than five years after the date of the agreement.
15	"(B) In this paragraph, the term covered study-
16	abroad course' means a course that—
17	"(i) is provided as a part of a program of edu-
18	cation offered by an educational institution under a
19	contract or other written agreement by another edu-
20	cational institution that offers a course that is ap-
21	proved under this chapter;
22	"(ii) is provided at a location in a foreign coun-
23	try; and
24	"(iii) has not been approved under this chap-
25	ter.".

1	(b) TREATMENT OF CERTAIN COURSES.—In the case
2	of any covered study-abroad course, under the meaning
3	given such term in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of
4	subsection (f) of section 3680A of title 38, United States
5	Code, as added by subsection (a), that is being offered
6	under a contract or other written agreement as of the date
7	of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans
8	Affairs may approve such course under such paragraph
9	(2) for the five-year period beginning on the date of the
10	enactment of this Act, if such contract or other written
11	agreement meets the criteria provided in subparagraph
12	(A) of such paragraph.
13	SEC. 10. ELIGIBILITY FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE
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14 15 16	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE-
14 15 16 17	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE- CEIVE SOLE SURVIVORSHIP DISCHARGES.
14 15 16 17	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE- CEIVE SOLE SURVIVORSHIP DISCHARGES. (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the
14 15 16 17 18	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE- CEIVE SOLE SURVIVORSHIP DISCHARGES. (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Sgt. Wolf Kyle Weninger Veterans Education Fairness
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE- CEIVE SOLE SURVIVORSHIP DISCHARGES. (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Sgt. Wolf Kyle Weninger Veterans Education Fairness Act of 2022".
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO- GRAM OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO RE- CEIVE SOLE SURVIVORSHIP DISCHARGES. (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Sgt. Wolf Kyle Weninger Veterans Education Fairness Act of 2022". (b) ELIGIBILITY.—Subsection (b)(2) of section 3311

1	(2) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and
2	(B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, and indent-
3	ing such clause two ems to the right;
4	(3) by inserting before clause (i), as so redesig-
5	nated, the following new subparagraph (A):
6	"(A) who—";
7	(4) in subparagraph (A)(ii), as so redesig-
8	nated—
9	(A) by striking "in subparagraph (A)" and
10	inserting "in clause (i)"; and
11	(B) by striking the period and inserting
12	"or by reason of a sole survivorship discharge
13	(as that term is defined in section 1174(i) of
14	title 10); or"; and
15	(5) by adding at the end the following new sub-
16	paragraph (B):
17	"(B) who—
18	"(i) commencing on or after Sep-
19	tember 11, 2001, completes at least 30
20	continuous days of service described in
21	subsection (d) (1) or (2); and
22	"(ii) after completion of service de-
23	scribed in clause (i), is discharged or re-
24	leased by reason of a sole survivorship dis-

1	charge (as that term is defined in section
2	1174(i) of title 10).".
3	(c) Conforming Amendment.—Subsection (d) of
4	such section is amended by striking "The following" and
5	inserting "Except as provided in subsection (b)(2)(B), the
6	following".
7	SEC. 11. UNIFORM APPLICATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF
8	VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROVAL OF COURSES
9	OF EDUCATION.
10	(a) In General.—Subchapter I of chapter 36 of title
11	38, United States Code, is amended by inserting after sec-
12	tion 3672 the following new section:
13	"§ 3672A. Uniform application
14	"(a) In General.—(1) The Secretary, in partner-
15	ship with State approving agencies, educational institu-
16	tions, and training establishments, shall require the use
17	of a uniform application by any educational institution or
18	training establishment seeking the approval of a new
19	course of education under this chapter.
20	"(2) The Secretary shall maintain one uniform appli-
21	cation for institutions of higher learning and one such ap-
22	plication for other educational institutions and training es-
23	tablishments.
24	"(3) In the case of any State that uses approval cri-
25	teria not covered by a uniform application under this sec-

1	tion, the State approving agency for that State shall re-
2	quire the use of the uniform application and may require
3	the submittal of additional information.
4	"(b) Requirements.—The uniform application re-
5	quired under subsection (a) shall meet the following re-
6	quirements:
7	"(1) A requirement that the appropriate execu-
8	tive of the educational institution or training estab-
9	lishment seeking the approval of a course of edu-
10	cation attests on behalf of the educational institution
11	or training establishment that the educational insti-
12	tution or training establishment—
13	"(A) is in compliance with all applicable
14	laws and regulations relating to the approval of
15	courses of education under this chapter; and
16	"(B) during the five-year period preceding
17	the date of the application—
18	"(i) has not been subject to, or been
19	party to a contract with any individual or
20	entity that has been subject to, any ad-
21	verse administrative or judicial action
22	that—
23	"(I) related to the instruction or
24	training, including with respect to the

1	quality of education, provided by the
2	institution or establishment; and
3	"(II) resulted in a fine or penalty
4	in an amount equal to or more than
5	five percent of the amount of funding
6	provided to the institution or estab-
7	lishment under title IV of the Higher
8	Education Act of 1965 for the fiscal
9	year preceding the year in which the
10	application is submitted; or
11	"(ii) has not employed an individual,
12	or been party to a contract with any indi-
13	vidual or entity, that has been convicted of
14	a Federal fraud charge related to the in-
15	struction or training provided by the insti-
16	tution or establishment.
17	"(2) In the case of any educational institution
18	or training establishment that is not participating in
19	title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
20	U.S.C. 1070 et seq.), a requirement for the inclusion
21	of—
22	"(A) a copy of—
23	"(i) the articles of incorporation filed
24	on behalf of the institution or establish-
25	ment or proof of licensing to operate as an

1	educational institution or training estab
2	lishment in the State where the institution
3	or establishment is located; and
4	"(ii) the financial position of the insti-
5	tution or establishment, as prepared by an
6	appropriate third-party entity; or
7	"(B) other adequate evidence, as deter
8	mined by the Secretary, that the institution of
9	establishment is authorized to provide post-sec
10	ondary education or training in the State where
11	the institution or establishment is located.
12	"(3) In the case of any course of education that
13	is offered by an educational institution or training
14	establishment that has never offered a course of edu
15	cation that was approved under this chapter, a re
16	quirement for the inclusion of information about the
17	course of education covered by the application, in
18	cluding—
19	"(A) the number of students who have en
20	tered and graduated from the course during the
21	preceding two-year period; and
22	"(B) if available, the cohort default rate
23	for funds provided to the institution or estab
24	lishment under title IV of the Higher Education
25	Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.).

1	"(4) In the case of any educational institution
2	or training establishment that is not an institution
3	of higher learning, a requirement for the inclusion
4	of—
5	"(A) a list of individuals who will serve as
6	fully qualified instructors for the course of edu-
7	cation, as of the date of the application, and an
8	attestation that such individuals—
9	"(i) have a degree or other training,
10	as appropriate, in the field of the course;
11	"(ii) effectively teach the skills offered
12	under the course; and
13	"(iii) have demonstrated relevant in-
14	dustry experience in the field of the course;
15	and
16	"(B) a list of individuals who will serve as
17	career services employees for students enrolled
18	in the course and an attestation that such indi-
19	viduals are skilled at identifying professions in
20	the relevant industry that are in need of new
21	employees to hire, tailoring the course of edu-
22	cation to meet market needs, and identifying
23	the employers likely to hire graduates.
24	"(c) Requirements for State Approving Agen-
25	CIES.—During the approval process with respect to a uni-

- 1 form application submitted by an educational institution
- 2 or training establishment, a State approving agency, or
- 3 the Secretary when acting in the role of a State approving
- 4 agency, shall contact the Secretary of Education to deter-
- 5 mine whether the course of education subject to such ap-
- 6 proval process has withdrawn, or been denied or sus-
- 7 pended, from receiving for benefits under title IV of the
- 8 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.).
- 9 "(d) APPROPRIATE EXECUTIVE.—In this section, the
- 10 appropriate executive of an educational institution or
- 11 training establishment is a senior executive official, senior
- 12 administrator, owner, or operator designated by the insti-
- 13 tution or establishment.".
- 14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 15 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
- 16 after the item relating to section 3672 the following new
- 17 item:

"3672A. Uniform application.".

- 18 (c) APPLICABILITY.—The application required by
- 19 section 3672A of title 38, United States Code, as added
- 20 by subsection (a), shall—
- 21 (1) be developed by not later than October 1,
- 22 2023; and
- 23 (2) be required for the approval of any new
- course of education proposed on or after that day.

1	SEC. 12. NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT OF
2	VETERANS AFFAIRS EDUCATION SURVEYS.
3	(a) Risk-based Survey.—Section 3673A of title 38,
4	United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
5	following new subsection:
6	"(d) Notice.—To the maximum amount feasible, the
7	Secretary, or a State approving agency, as applicable,
8	shall provide not more than one business day of notice
9	to an educational institution before conducting a targeted
10	risk-based survey of the institution under this section.".
11	(b) Compliance Surveys.—Section 3693 of title
12	38, United States Code, is amended—
13	(1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
14	section (d); and
15	(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
16	lowing new subsection (c):
17	"(c) To the maximum extent feasible, the Secretary,
18	or a State approving agency, as applicable, shall provide
19	not more than 10 business days of notice to an educational
20	institution or training establishment before conducting a
21	compliance survey of the institution or establishment

22 under this section.".

1	SEC. 13. EXCEPTION TO REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT
2	VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT OF CERTAIN
3	INDIVIDUALS.
4	Section 3313(l) of title 38, United States Code, is
5	amended—
6	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "The Sec-
7	retary" and inserting "Except as provided in para-
8	graph (4), the Secretary'; and
9	(2) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the
10	following new paragraph (4):
11	"(4) Exception.—An educational institution is
12	not required to submit verification of an individual
13	under paragraph (1)(A) if—
14	"(A) the individual is enrolled in a course
15	or program of education offered by the edu-
16	cational institution on at least a full-time basis
17	before the date on which the individual is able
18	to withdraw from the course or program of edu-
19	cation without penalty;
20	"(B) the educational institution charges
21	the same amount of tuition and fees for stu-
22	dents who are enrolled on a full-time basis and
23	students who are enrolled on a more-than-full-
24	time basis; and
25	"(C) the individual remains enrolled in the
26	course or program of education after the date

1	on which the individual is able to withdraw
2	from the course or program of education with-
3	out penalty.".
4	SEC. 14. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SELF-EMPLOY-
5	MENT ASSISTANCE UNDER VETERAN READI-
6	NESS AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM.
7	(a) Expansion of Eligibility.—Paragraph (12) of
8	subsection (a) of section 3104 of title 38, United States
9	Code, is amended to read as follows:
10	"(12) Such license fees and essential equip-
11	ment, supplies, and minimum stocks of materials as
12	the Secretary determines to be necessary for a vet-
13	eran to begin self-employment and are within the
14	criteria and cost limitations that the Secretary shall
15	prescribe in regulations for the furnishing of such
16	fees, equipment, supplies, and stocks.".
17	(b) Priority.—Subsection (c)(1) of such section is
18	amended by inserting before the first period the following:
19	", including with respect to providing priority for services
20	under subsection (a)(12) to veterans with the most severe
21	service-connected disabilities who require homebound
22	training or self-employment, or both homebound training
23	and self-employment".
24	(c) Technical Amendments.—Section 3117 of
25	such title is amended—

1	(1) in subsection $(a)(2)(C)$, by striking "this
2	clause" and inserting "this subparagraph"; and
3	(2) in subsection (b)—
4	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "insure"
5	and inserting "ensure"; and
6	(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "clause"
7	both places it appears and inserting "para-
8	graph".
9	SEC. 15. POSSIBLE DEFINITIONS OF CERTAIN TERMS RE-
10	LATING TO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE.
11	Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
12	ment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall
13	submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Sen-
14	ate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House
15	of Representatives a report containing possible definitions
16	of the Secretary for each of the following terms:
17	(1) Student services.
18	(2) Marketing.
19	(3) Classroom instruction.
20	SEC. 16. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF
21	PENSION.
22	Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code
23	is amended by striking "October 30, 2028" and inserting
24	"November 30, 2031".

1	SEC. 17. TERMINATION OF CERTAIN CONSUMER CON
2	TRACTS BY SERVICEMEMBERS AND DEPEND
3	ENTS WHO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS AFTER
4	RECEIVING MILITARY ORDERS FOR PERMA
5	NENT CHANGE OF STATION BUT THEN RE
6	CEIVE STOP MOVEMENT ORDERS DUE TO AN
7	EMERGENCY SITUATION.
8	(a) In General.—Section 305A of the
9	Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. 3956) is
10	amended—
11	(1) in the section heading, by striking "TELE
12	PHONE, MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAM
13	MING, AND INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE" and
14	inserting "CERTAIN CONSUMER";
15	(2) in subsection (a)—
16	(A) in the heading, by adding "OR DE
17	PENDENT OF A SERVICEMEMBER" at the end
18	(B) in paragraph (1)—
19	(i) by striking "after the date the
20	servicemember receives military orders to
21	relocate for a period of not less than 90
22	days to a location that does not suppor
23	the contract." and inserting "after—"; and
24	(ii) by adding at the end the fol
25	lowing:

1	"(A) the date the servicemember receives
2	military orders to relocate for a period of not
3	less than 90 days to a location that does not
4	support the contract; or
5	"(B) the date the servicemember, while in
6	military service, receives military orders for a
7	permanent change of station, thereafter enters
8	into the contract, and then receives a stop
9	movement order issued by the Secretary of De-
10	fense or the Secretary of Homeland Security in
11	response to a local, national, or global emer-
12	gency, effective for an indefinite period or for a
13	period of not less than 30 days, that prevents
14	the servicemember from using the services pro-
15	vided under the contract."; and
16	(C) in paragraph (4), by adding at the end
17	the following new subparagraph:
18	"(D) The spouse or dependent of a service-
19	member, described in paragraph (1)(B), who
20	accompanies such servicemember during the pe-
21	riod of relocation.";
22	(3) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
23	following:
24	"(b) COVERED CONTRACTS.—A contract described in
25	this subsection is a contract—

1	"(1) for—
2	"(A) commercial mobile service;
3	"(B) telephone exchange service;
4	"(C) internet access service;
5	"(D) multichannel video programming
6	service;
7	"(E) a gym membership or fitness pro-
8	gram; or
9	"(F) home security services; and
10	"(2) entered into by a servicemember before re-
11	ceiving the military orders referred to in subsection
12	(a)(1)."; and
13	(4) in subsection (g)—
14	(A) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3),
15	and (4) as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respec-
16	tively; and
17	(B) by inserting, after paragraph (1), the
18	following new paragraph (2):
19	"(2) The terms 'military orders' and 'perma-
20	nent change of station' have the meanings given
21	such terms in section 305.".
22	(b) Retroactive Application.—The amendments
23	made by this section shall apply to stop movement orders
24	issued on or after March 1, 2020.

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2	Section 511(a) of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
3	(50 U.S.C. 4001(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (2)
4	and inserting the following:
5	"(2) Spouses.—A spouse of a servicemember
6	shall neither lose nor acquire a residence or domicile
7	for purposes of taxation with respect to the person
8	personal property, or income of the spouse by reason
9	of being absent or present in any tax jurisdiction of
10	the United States solely to be with the servicemem-
11	ber in compliance with the servicemember's military
12	orders.
13	"(3) Election.—For any taxable year of the
14	marriage, a servicemember and the spouse of such
15	servicemember may elect to use for purposes of tax-
16	ation, regardless of the date on which the marriage
17	of the servicemember and the spouse occurred, any
18	of the following:
19	"(A) The residence or domicile of the serv-
20	icemember.
21	"(B) The residence or domicile of the
22	spouse.
23	"(C) The permanent duty station of the
24	servicemember.".

1	SEC. 19. PORTABILITY OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OF
2	MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES
3	AND THEIR SPOUSES.
4	(a) In General.—Title VII of the Servicemembers
5	Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. 4021 et seq.) is amended by
6	inserting after section 705 (50 U.S.C. 4025) the following
7	new section:
8	"SEC. 705A. PORTABILITY OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OF
9	SERVICEMEMBERS AND THEIR SPOUSES.
10	"(a) In General.—In any case in which a service-
11	member or the spouse of a servicemember has a covered
12	license and such servicemember or spouse relocates his or
13	her residency because of military orders for military serv-
14	ice to a location that is not in the jurisdiction of the licens-
15	ing authority that issued the covered license, such covered
16	license shall be considered valid at a similar scope of prac-
17	tice and in the discipline applied for in the jurisdiction
18	of such new residency for the duration of such military
19	orders if such servicemember or spouse—
20	"(1) provides a copy of such military orders to
21	the licensing authority in the jurisdiction in which
22	the new residency is located;
23	"(2) remains in good standing with—
24	"(A) the licensing authority that issued the
25	covered license; and

1	"(B) every other licensing authority that
2	has issued to the servicemember or the spouse
3	of a servicemember a license valid at a similar
4	scope of practice and in the discipline applied in
5	the jurisdiction of such licensing authority;
6	"(3) submits to the authority of the licensing
7	authority in the new jurisdiction for the purposes of
8	standards of practice, discipline, and fulfillment of
9	any continuing education requirements.
10	"(b) Interstate Licensure Compacts.—If a serv-
11	icemember or spouse of a servicemember is licensed and
12	able to operate in multiple jurisdictions through an inter-
13	state licensure compact, with respect to services provided
14	in the jurisdiction of the interstate licensure compact by
15	a licensee covered by such compact, the servicemember or
16	spouse of a servicemember shall be subject to the require-
17	ments of the compact or the applicable provisions of law
18	of the applicable State and not this section.
19	"(c) Covered License Defined.—In this section,
20	the term 'covered license' means a professional license or
21	certificate—
22	"(1) that is in good standing with the licensing
23	authority that issued such professional license or
24	certificate;

1	"(2) that the servicemember or spouse of a
2	servicemember has actively used during the two
3	years immediately preceding the relocation described
4	in subsection (a); and
5	"(3) that is not a license to practice law.".
6	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
7	in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by inserting after
8	the item relating to section 705 the following new item:
	"Sec. 705A. Portability of professional licenses of servicemembers and their spouses.".
9	SEC. 20. PROVISION OF NONARTICULATING TRAILERS AS
10	ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT.
11	Section 3901(2) of title 38, United States Code, is
12	amended—
	(1) by striking "and special" and inserting
13	(1) by striking and special and inserting
1314	"special"; and
14	"special"; and
14 15	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting
141516	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting "conveyance, and nonarticulating trailers solely de-
14151617	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting "conveyance, and nonarticulating trailers solely designed to transport powered wheelchairs, powered
1415161718	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting "conveyance, and nonarticulating trailers solely designed to transport powered wheelchairs, powered scooters, or other similar mobility devices.".
141516171819	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting "conveyance, and nonarticulating trailers solely designed to transport powered wheelchairs, powered scooters, or other similar mobility devices.". SEC. 21. ELIGIBILITY FOR DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	"special"; and (2) by striking "conveyance." and inserting "conveyance, and nonarticulating trailers solely designed to transport powered wheelchairs, powered scooters, or other similar mobility devices.". SEC. 21. ELIGIBILITY FOR DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL AUTO-

1	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "paragraph
2	(2)" and inserting "paragraphs (2) and (3)"; and
3	(2) by adding at the end the following new
4	paragraph:
5	"(3) The Secretary may provide or assist in providing
6	an eligible person with an additional automobile or other
7	conveyance under this chapter—
8	"(A) if more than 30 years have elapsed since
9	the eligible person most recently received an auto-
10	mobile or other conveyance under this chapter; or
11	"(B) beginning on the day that is 10 years
12	after date of the enactment of the Veterans Auto
13	and Education Improvement Act of 2022, if more
14	than 10 years have elapsed since the eligible person
15	most recently received an automobile or other con-
16	veyance under this chapter.".
17	SEC. 22. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TREATMENT
18	OF CERTAIN VEHICLE MODIFICATIONS AS
19	MEDICAL SERVICES.
20	Section 1701(6) of title 38, United States Code, is
21	amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-
22	graph:
23	"(I) The provision of medically necessary
24	van lifts, raised doors, raised roofs, air condi-

1	tioning, and wheelchair tiedowns for passenger
2	use.".
3	SEC. 23. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.
4	The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
5	complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
6	shall be determined by reference to the latest statement

9 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-

Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record

7 titled "Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation" for this

10 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the

11 vote on passage.

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