H. R. 3356

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 19, 2019

Mr. Gosar (for himself, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Rouzer, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pence, Mrs. Rodgers of Washington, Mr. Steube, Mr. Meadows, Mr. LaMalfa, and Mr. Waltz) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Expedited TSA Screening Safe Travel Act” or the “VETS Safe Travel Act”.
SEC. 2. AVAILABILITY OF PRECHECK PROGRAM TO CERTAIN SEVERELY INJURED OR DISABLED VETERANS.

(a) In General.—Section 44927 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) Availability of PreCheck Program to Certain Severely Injured or Disabled Veterans.—

“(1) In General.—A veteran described in paragraph (2) is eligible for security screening under the PreCheck Program under section 44919 at no cost to the veteran if the veteran is able to meet the background check and other security requirements for participation in the program.

“(2) Veterans Described.—A veteran described in this paragraph is—

“(A) a veteran determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs—

“(i) to have had a loss, or loss of use, of a limb, or to have become paralyzed or partially paralyzed; and

“(ii) as a result of that loss or paralysis, to require the use of a wheelchair, prosthetic, or other assistive device to aid with mobility; or
“(B) a veteran determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to have incurred permanent blindness.”.

(b) COORDINATION ON IMPLEMENTATION.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the administrator of the Transportation Security Administration and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall jointly—

(1) develop and implement a process for providing the Transportation Security Administration with access to the data needed to validate the eligibility of a veteran for the PreCheck Program under section 44927(g) of title 49, United States Code, as added by subsection (a); and

(2) submit to Congress a report on the status of implementing the process required by paragraph (1).