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H. R. 6376

To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for a certain work-study allowance paid by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to certain individuals who pursue programs of rehabilitation, education, or training on at least a half-time basis, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2022

Mrs. AXNE (for herself, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. DEAN, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. MANNING, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. NEWMAN, Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. WILD, and Mrs. HAYES) 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 “Student Veteran Work
5 Study Modernization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR A CERTAIN WORK-**
2 **STUDY ALLOWANCE PAID BY THE SEC-**
3 **RETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO CERTAIN**
4 **INDIVIDUALS WHO PURSUE PROGRAMS OF**
5 **REHABILITATION, EDUCATION, OR TRAINING**
6 **ON AT LEAST A HALF-TIME BASIS.**

7 (a) EXPANSION.—Section 3485(b) of title 38, United
8 States Code, is amended—

9 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “three-
10 quarters” and inserting “half”; and

11 (2) in the third sentence, by striking “three-
12 quarter-time” and inserting “half-time”.

13 (b) APPLICABILITY DATE.—The amendments made
14 by this section shall apply with respect to a quarter, se-
15 mester, or term, as applicable, commencing on or after
16 October 1, 2023.

17 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING VETERANS WHO PAR-**
18 **TICIPATE IN WORK STUDY.**

19 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
20 ment of this Act and annually thereafter, the Secretary
21 of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on
22 Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of Representa-
23 tives a report regarding veterans who participate in work
24 study. Such report shall include the following elements:

25 (1) The number of such veterans.

1 (2) The percentage of such veterans who obtain
2 a four-year degree.

3 (3) The number of such veterans who obtain
4 full-time work at the Department of Veterans Af-
5 fairs.

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