

## 115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H.R.43

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the use of Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to pursue independent study programs at certain educational institutions that are not institutions of higher learning.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**January 3, 2017** 

Mr. Mullin 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,

| 1  | SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF POST-9/11 EDU-    |
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| 2  | CATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO PURSUE INDE-                   |
| 3  | PENDENT STUDY PROGRAMS AT CERTAIN                     |
| 4  | EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE NOT                 |
| 5  | INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING.                      |
| 6  | Paragraph (4) of section 3680A(a) of title 38, United |
| 7  | States Code, is amended to read as follows:           |
| 8  | "(4) any independent study program except an          |
| 9  | accredited independent study program (including       |
| 10 | open circuit television) leading—                     |
| 11 | "(A) to a standard college degree;                    |
| 12 | "(B) to a certificate that reflects edu-              |
| 13 | cational attainment offered by an institution of      |
| 14 | higher learning; or                                   |
| 15 | "(C) to a certificate that reflects comple-           |
| 16 | tion of a course of study offered by—                 |
| 17 | "(i) an area career and technical edu-                |
| 18 | cation school (as defined in section 3 of the         |
| 19 | Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical                  |
| 20 | Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2302))               |
| 21 | that provides education at the postsec-               |
| 22 | ondary level; or                                      |
| 23 | "(ii) a postsecondary vocational insti-               |
| 24 | tution (as defined in section 102(c) of the           |
| 25 | Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.               |

| 1 | 1002(c))) that provides education at the |
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| 2 | postsecondary level.".                   |

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