

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2221

To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship to children and spouses of certain deceased members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2019

Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Mr. LEVIN of California) 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 “Fry Scholarship Im-
5 provement Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR FRY SCHOLAR-**
2 **SHIP TO CHILDREN AND SPOUSES OF CER-**
3 **TAIN DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
4 **FORCES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 3311 of
6 title 38, United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraph (10) as para-
8 graph (12); and

9 (2) by inserting after paragraph (9) the fol-
10 lowing new paragraphs (10) and (11):

11 “(10) An individual who is the child or spouse
12 of a person who, on or after September 11, 2001,
13 dies in line of duty while serving on duty other than
14 active duty as a member of the Armed Forces.

15 “(11) An individual who is the child or spouse
16 of a member of the Selected Reserve who dies on or
17 after September 11, 2001—

18 “(A) from a service-connected disability;
19 and

20 “(B) not later than four years after the
21 date of the last discharge or release of that
22 member from active duty or active duty for
23 training.”.

24 (b) APPLICABILITY DATE.—The amendments made
25 by subsection (a) apply with respect to a quarter, semes-

1 ter, or term, as applicable, commencing on or after August
 2 1, 2020.

3 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) Subsection (f) of such section is amended
 5 by striking “paragraph (9)” each place it appears
 6 and inserting “paragraphs (9), (10), and (11)”.

7 (2) Section 3322 of such title is amended—

8 (A) in subsection (e), by striking both
 9 “sections 3311(b)(9) and 3319” and inserting
 10 “section 3319 and paragraph (9), (10), or (11)
 11 of section 3311 of this title”;

12 (B) in subsection (f), by striking “section
 13 3311(b)(9)” and inserting “paragraph (9),
 14 (10), or (11) of section 3311 of this title”; and

15 (C) in subsection (h)(2), by striking “ei-
 16 ther section 3311(b)(9) or chapter 35” and in-
 17 serting “either chapter 35 or paragraph (9),
 18 (10), or (11) of section 3311”.

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