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S. 1136

To amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize concurrent use of Department of Defense Tuition Assistance and Montgomery GI Bill-Selected Reserve benefits, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 10, 2019

Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. LEAHY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Montgomery GI Bill
5 Parity Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONCURRENT USE OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
2 **TUITION ASSISTANCE AND MONTGOMERY GI**
3 **BILL-SELECTED RESERVE BENEFITS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 16131 of title 10, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing new subsection:

7 “(k)(1) In the case of an individual entitled to edu-
8 cational assistance under this chapter who is pursuing
9 education or training described in subsection (a) or (c) of
10 section 2007 of this title, the Secretary shall, at the elec-
11 tion of the individual, pay the individual an educational
12 assistance allowance to meet all or a portion of the charges
13 of the educational institution for the education or training
14 that are not paid by the Secretary of the military depart-
15 ment concerned under such subsection.

16 “(2)(A) The amount of the educational assistance al-
17 lowance payable to an individual under this subsection for
18 a month shall be the amount of the educational assistance
19 allowance to which the individual would be entitled for the
20 month under subsection (b), (d), (e), or (f).

21 “(B) The number of months of entitlement charged
22 under this chapter in the case of an individual who has
23 been paid an educational assistance allowance under this
24 subsection shall be equal to the number (including any
25 fraction) determined by dividing the total amount of such
26 educational assistance allowance paid the individual by the

1 full-time monthly institutional rate of educational assist-
 2 ance which such individual would otherwise be paid under
 3 subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D) of subsection (b)(1),
 4 subsection (d), subsection (e), or subsection (f), as the
 5 case may be.”.

6 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 2007(d)
 7 of such title is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “or chapter
 9 1606 of this title” after “of title 38”; and

10 (2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, in the case
 11 of educational assistance under chapter 30 of such
 12 title, and section 16131(k), in the case of edu-
 13 cational assistance under chapter 1606 of this title”
 14 before the period at the end.

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