

## 116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 5019

To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide support to university law school programs that are designed to provide legal assistance to veterans, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 8, 2019

Ms. NORTON 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 "Veterans Legal Sup-
- 5 port Act of 2019".

1	SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS SUPPORT
2	FOR UNIVERSITY LEGAL CLINICS THAT AS-
3	SIST VETERANS.
4	(a) Support Authorized.—The Secretary of Vet-
5	erans Affairs may provide support to one or more univer-
6	sity law school programs that are designed to provide legal
7	assistance to veterans.
8	(b) Eligible Programs.—Programs of university
9	law schools which may receive support under subsection
10	(a) may include programs that assist veterans with—
11	(1) filing and appealing claims for benefits
12	under laws administered by the Secretary; and
13	(2) such other civil, criminal, and family legal
14	matters as the Secretary considers appropriate.
15	(e) Financial Support.—
16	(1) In General.—The support provided a pro-
17	gram under subsection (a) may include financial
18	support of the program.
19	(2) Limitation on amount.—The total
20	amount of financial support provided under sub-
21	section (a) in any fiscal year may not exceed
22	\$1,000,000.
23	(3) Funding.—Amounts for financial support
24	under subsection (a) shall be derived from amounts
25	appropriated or otherwise made available to the

- 1 Medical Services account of the Department of Vet-
- erans Affairs.

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