

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3462

To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make tuition payments for veterans enrolled in institutions of higher learning who are receiving assistance under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program by not later than the tuition due date for the quarter, semester, or term.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 17, 2011

Mr. CLARKE of Michigan (for himself, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, and Mr. WALBERG) 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. REQUIREMENT THAT THE SECRETARY OF VET-**
2 **ERANS AFFAIRS MAKE TUITION PAYMENTS**
3 **FOR VETERANS ENROLLED IN INSTITUTIONS**
4 **OF HIGHER LEARNING WHO ARE RECEIVING**
5 **ASSISTANCE UNDER THE POST-9/11 EDU-**
6 **CATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BY NOT**
7 **LATER THAN THE TUITION DUE DATE FOR**
8 **THE QUARTER, SEMESTER, OR TERM.**

9 (a) PAYMENT OF TUITION BY FIRST DAY OF QUAR-
10 TER, SEMESTER, OR TERM.—Section 3313(d)(1) of title
11 38, United States Code, is amended—

12 (1) by inserting before the period at the end the
13 following: “, and shall be paid not later than the
14 date on which the tuition payment is due, as estab-
15 lished by the institution of higher learning”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end the following new sen-
17 tence: “In determining the amount of a payment de-
18 scribed in this paragraph, the Secretary shall take
19 into consideration any waiver of, or reduction in, tui-
20 tion and fees and any scholarship or other Federal,
21 State, institutional, or employer-based aid or assist-
22 ance that is made or awarded as of the date on
23 which the tuition payment is due. In the event that
24 any such waiver, reduction, scholarship, aid, or as-
25 sistance is made or awarded after such date, the in-
26 stitution of higher learning shall repay to the Sec-

1 retary an amount equal to the amount of such waiv-
2 er, reduction, scholarship, aid, or assistance.”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
4 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to payments of edu-
5 cational assistance made for a quarter, semester, or term
6 that begins after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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