

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3473

To provide employment opportunities for veterans in transportation construction projects, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 18, 2011

Mr. RAHALL (for himself and Mr. PETRI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “Mobilizing Opportuni-
5 ties for Veterans Employment Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. VETERANS PREFERENCE IN HIGHWAY CONSTRUC-**
7 **TION.**

8 Section 114 of title 23, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 “(d) VETERANS EMPLOYMENT.—Recipients of Fed-
2 eral financial assistance under this chapter shall ensure
3 that contractors working on a project funded using such
4 assistance give a hiring preference to veterans, as defined
5 in section 2108 of title 5, who have the requisite skills
6 and abilities to perform the construction work required
7 under the contract. This subsection shall not apply to
8 projects subject to section 140(d) of this title.”.

9 **SEC. 3. VETERANS PREFERENCE IN TRANSIT CONSTRUC-**
10 **TION.**

11 Section 5325 of title 49, United States Code, is
12 amended by adding at the end the following:

13 “(k) VETERANS EMPLOYMENT.—Recipients and sub-
14 recipients of Federal financial assistance under this chap-
15 ter shall ensure that contractors working on a capital
16 project funded using such assistance give a hiring pref-
17 erence to veterans, as defined in section 2108 of title 5,
18 who have the requisite skills and abilities to perform the
19 construction work required under the contract.”.

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