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To amend title 38, United State Code, to provide for an apprenticeship and on-job training program under the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PERRIELLO 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. APPRENTICESHIPS AND ON-JOB TRAINING**
4 **UNDER POST-9/11 VETERANS EDUCATIONAL**
5 **ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

6 (a) APPRENTICESHIPS AND ON-JOB.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 33 of title 38,
8 United States Code, is amended by inserting after
9 section 3319 the following new section:

1 **“§ 3320. Apprenticeships and on-job training**

2 “(a) MONTHLY BENEFIT.—Except as provided in
3 subsection (b) of this section, the amount of the monthly
4 benefit payment to an individual pursuing a full-time pro-
5 gram of apprenticeship or other on-job training under this
6 chapter is—

7 “(1) for each of the first six months of the indi-
8 vidual’s pursuit of such program, 85 percent of the
9 amount equal to the national average cost of tuition
10 at an institution of higher education;

11 “(2) for each of the second six months of the
12 individual’s pursuit of such program, 65 percent of
13 such amount; and

14 “(3) for each of the months following the first
15 12 months of the individual’s pursuit of such pro-
16 gram, 45 percent of such amountt.

17 “(b) REDUCTION.—In any month in which an indi-
18 vidual pursuing a program of education consisting of a
19 program of apprenticeship or other on-job training fails
20 to complete 120 hours of training, the amount of the
21 monthly benefit payment payable under this chapter to the
22 individual shall be limited to the same proportion of the
23 applicable rate determined under subsection (a) of this
24 section as the number of hours worked during such month,
25 rounded to the nearest eight hours, bears to 120 hours.

1 “(c) TREATMENT OF OTHER EDUCATIONAL ASSIST-
2 ANCE.—Any payment under this section is in addition to
3 any other educational assistance to which an individual is
4 entitled under this chapter.”.

5 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
6 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
7 by inserting after the item relating to section 3319
8 the following new item:

“3320. Apprenticeships and on-job training.”.

9 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Such title is fur-
10 ther amended as follows:

11 (1) Subsection (b) of section 3313 of such title
12 is amended to read as follows:

13 “(b) APPROVED PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION.—A pro-
14 gram of education is an approved program of education
15 for purposes of this chapter if the program of education—

16 “(1) is—

17 “(A) offered by an institution of higher
18 learning (as that term is defined in section
19 3452(f) of this title); and

20 “(B) approved for purposes of chapter 30
21 of this title (including approval by the State ap-
22 proving agency concerned); or

23 “(2) in the case of an individual who is not
24 serving on active duty, includes a program of ap-
25 prenticeship or of other on-job training approved as

1 provided in clause (1) or (2), as appropriate, of sec-
2 tion 3687(a) of this title.”.

3 (2) Section 3313(a) of such title by inserting
4 after “subsections (e) and (f)” the following: “or
5 section 3320 of this title”.

6 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
7 this Act shall take effect on the date that is 90 days after
8 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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