112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2148

To amend title 10, United States Code, to extend military commissary and exchange store privileges to veterans with a compensable service-connected disability and to their dependents.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 13, 2011

Mr. Burton of Indiana (for himself, Mr. Courtney, and Mrs. Ellmers) introduced the following bill; which was 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 "Disabled Veterans
- 5 Commissary and Exchange Store Benefits Act".

SEC.	2.	COMMISSARY	AND	EXCHANGE	STORE	PRIVILEGES

- 2 FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND THEIR DE-
- 3 PENDENTS.
- 4 (a) Extension of Privileges.—Chapter 54 of title
- 5 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
- 6 the following new section:
- 7 "§ 1065. Use of commissary and exchange stores: dis-
- 8 abled veterans and their dependents
- 9 "(a) DISABLED VETERANS.—A veteran with a com-
- 10 pensable service-connected disability shall be permitted to
- 11 use commissary and exchange stores on the same basis
- 12 as a member of the armed forces entitled to retired or
- 13 retainer pay.
- 14 "(b) Dependents.—A dependent of a veteran de-
- 15 scribed in subsection (a) shall be permitted to use com-
- 16 missary and exchange stores on the same basis as a de-
- 17 pendent of a member of the armed forces entitled to re-
- 18 tired or retainer pay.
- 19 "(c) Definitions.—In this section, the terms 'vet-
- 20 eran' and 'service-connected' have the meanings given
- 21 those terms in section 101 of title 38.".
- 22 (b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of sections
- 23 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
- 24 at the end the following new item:

[&]quot;1065. Use of commissary and exchange stores: disabled veterans and their dependents.".

- 1 (c) Effective Date.—Section 1065 of title 10,
- 2 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take
- 3 effect at the end of the 90-day period beginning on the

4 date of the enactment of this Act.

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