

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4366

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Mrs. TORRES 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 “GI Bill Distance
5 Learning Improvement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL PAYMENT TO DISTANCE LEARNERS**
2 **UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
3 **POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PRO-**
4 **GRAM FOR PURCHASE OF COMPUTER.**

5 Section 3313 of title 38, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(j) **ADDITIONAL AMOUNT FOR PURCHASE OF COM-**
9 **PUTERS FOR DISTANCE LEARNERS.—**

10 “(1) **IN GENERAL.—**The Secretary shall make a
11 one-time payment to an individual pursuing a pro-
12 gram of education solely through distance learning
13 on more than a half-time basis in an amount of
14 \$500 to be used for the purchase of a computer for
15 use in pursuing such program of education.

16 “(2) **APPLICATION.—**To be eligible for a pay-
17 ment under this subsection, an individual shall sub-
18 mit to the Secretary an application containing such
19 information and assurances as the Secretary may re-
20 quire.”.

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