

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5044

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2018

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT

To amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the treatment of certain surviving spouses under the contracting goals and preferences of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Service-Disabled Vet-
3 erans Small Business Continuation Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT REGARDING TREATMENT**
5 **OF CERTAIN SURVIVING SPOUSES UNDER**
6 **CONTRACTING GOALS AND PREFERENCES OF**
7 **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

8 Effective on the date specified in subsection (e) of
9 section 1832 of the National Defense Authorization Act
10 for Fiscal Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat.
11 2660), section 8127(k)(3) of title 38, United States Code,
12 as amended by such section 1832, is further amended by
13 inserting after the period at the end the following new sen-
14 tence: “A surviving spouse of such a veteran who is not
15 covered by subparagraph (C)(i) of such section by reason
16 of the disability rating of the veteran being less than 100
17 percent shall be treated as being so covered during the
18 period beginning on the date of the death of the veteran
19 and ending on the date that is 3 years after such death,
20 the date on which the surviving spouse remarries, or the
21 date on which the surviving spouse relinquishes an

1 ownership interest in the small business concern, which-
2 ever occurs first.”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 21, 2018.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.