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# S. 1192

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2017

Mr. ROUNDS (for himself and Ms. HIRONO) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## 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 “Veterans To Enhance  
5 Studies Through Accessibility Act of 2017” or the “Vet-  
6 erans TEST Accessibility Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CHARGE TO ENTITLEMENT FOR CERTAIN LICEN-**  
 2 **SURE AND CERTIFICATION TESTS AND NA-**  
 3 **TIONAL TESTS UNDER DEPARTMENT OF VET-**  
 4 **ERANS AFFAIRS POST-9/11 EDUCATIONAL AS-**  
 5 **SISTANCE PROGRAM.**

6 (a) **LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION TESTS.**—Sub-  
 7 section (c) of section 3315 of title 38, United States Code,  
 8 is amended by striking “shall be determined” and all that  
 9 follows through the end of such subsection and inserting  
 10 “shall be pro-rated based on the actual amount of the fee  
 11 charged for the test.”.

12 (b) **NATIONAL TESTS.**—Section 3315A of such title  
 13 is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the  
 15 following new paragraph:

16 “(3) A national test that evaluates prior learn-  
 17 ing and knowledge and provides an opportunity for  
 18 course credit at an institution of higher learning as  
 19 so described.”; and

20 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “shall be de-  
 21 termined” and all that follows through the end of  
 22 such subsection and inserting “shall be pro-rated  
 23 based on the actual amount of the fee charged for  
 24 the test.”.

25 (c) **TESTS INCLUDED.**—Section 3452(b) of such title  
 26 is amended in the last sentence—

1           (1) by striking “and national tests providing”  
2           and inserting “, national tests providing”; and

3           (2) by inserting before the period at the end the  
4           following: “, and national tests that evaluate prior  
5           learning and knowledge and provides an opportunity  
6           for course credit at an institution of higher learn-  
7           ing”.

8           (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
9           this Act shall apply to a test taken after the date that  
10          is 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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