

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2736

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 14, 2019

Mr. ZELDIN 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 “Veterans Estate
5 Transfer to Survivors Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CLARIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS OF CER-**
2 **TAIN ACCRUED BENEFITS UPON DEATH OF**
3 **BENEFICIARY.**

4 (a) **ELIGIBILITY OF ESTATE.**—Section 5121(a)(2) of
5 title 38, United States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
7 by inserting “, or estate,” after “person”; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 paragraph:

10 “(D) The estate of the veteran (unless the
11 estate will escheat).”.

12 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
13 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to the death of an
14 individual on or after the date of the enactment of this
15 Act.

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