

116<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4356

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## AN ACT

To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow certain individuals to terminate contracts for telephone, multichannel video programming, or internet access service, and for other purposes.

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 “Protecting Families  
3 of Fallen Servicemembers Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS FOR TELEPHONE,  
5 MULTICHANNEL VIDEO PROGRAMMING, OR  
6 INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE BY CERTAIN IN-  
7 DIVIDUALS UNDER SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL  
8 RELIEF ACT.**

9 Section 305A(a) of the Servicemembers Civil Relief  
10 Act (50 U.S.C. 3956(a)) is amended by adding at the end  
11 the following new paragraph:

12 “(4) **ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS COVERED.**—For  
13 purposes of this section, the following individuals  
14 shall be treated as a servicemember covered by para-  
15 graph (1):

16 “(A) A spouse or dependent of a service-  
17 member who dies while in military service or a  
18 spouse or dependent of a member of the reserve  
19 components who dies while performing duty de-  
20 scribed in subparagraph (C).

21 “(B) A spouse or dependent of a service-  
22 member who incurs a catastrophic injury or ill-  
23 ness (as that term is defined in section 439(g)  
24 of title 37, United States Code), if the service-  
25 member incurs the catastrophic injury or illness

1 while in military service or performing duty de-  
2 scribed in subparagraph (C).

3 “(C) A member of the reserve components  
4 performing military service or performing full-  
5 time National Guard duty, active Guard and  
6 Reserve duty, or inactive-duty training (as such  
7 terms are defined in section 101(d) of title 10,  
8 United States Code).”.

Passed the House of Representatives November 12,  
2019.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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