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To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for concurrent receipt of veterans' disability compensation and retired pay for disability retirees with combat-related disabilities, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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A BILL

To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for concurrent receipt of veterans' disability compensation and retired pay for disability retirees with combat-related disabilities, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Major Richard Star
5 Act".

1 SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF DISABILITY RETIREES WITH COM-
2 BAT-RELATED DISABILITIES FOR CONCUR-
3 RENT RECEIPT OF VETERANS' DISABILITY
4 COMPENSATION AND RETIRED PAY.

5 (a) CONCURRENT RECEIPT IN CONNECTION WITH
6 CBSC Section 1412a(b)(2) of title 10, United States

7 Code, is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)—

(A) by striking "of this title, the amount"

and inserting “of this title—

“(i) the retired pay of the retiree is

not subject to reduction under sections

5304 and 5305 of title 38; and

“(ii) the amount”; and

15 (B) by striking “after any such reduction
16 under sections 5304 and 5305 of title 38”; and

(2) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) by striking “creditable service, the amount” and inserting the following: “creditable service—

“(i) the retired pay of the retiree is

not subject to reduction under sections

1 (b) CONCURRENT RECEIPT GENERALLY.—Section
2 1414(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended to
3 read as follows:

4 “(b) SPECIAL RULE FOR CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY
5 RETIREES.—A member or former member of the uni-
6 formed services who is entitled to retired pay under chap-
7 ter 61 of this title for any month and who is also entitled
8 for that month to veterans’ disability compensation for a
9 combat-related disability (as that term is defined in sec-
10 tion 1413a(e) of this title) is entitled to be paid both for
11 that month without regard to sections 5304 and 5305 of
12 title 38.”.

13 (c) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
14 (1) AMENDMENTS REFLECTING END OF CON-
15 CURRENT RECEIPT PHASE-IN PERIOD.—Section
16 1414 of title 10, United States Code, is further
17 amended—

18 (A) in subsection (a)(1)—
19 (i) by striking the second sentence;
20 and
21 (ii) by striking subparagraphs (A) and
22 (B);
23 (B) by striking subsection (c) and redesign-
24 nating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections
25 (c) and (d), respectively; and

(C) in subsection (d), as redesignated, by striking paragraphs (3) and (4).

5 **“§ 1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also**
6 **eligible for veterans’ disability compensa-**
7 **tion: concurrent receipt.”.**

(3) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 71 of such title is amended by striking the item relating to section 1414 and inserting the following new item:

“1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ disability compensation; concurrent receipt.”.

15 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 this section shall take effect on the first day of the first
17 month beginning after the date of the enactment of this
18 Act and shall apply to payments for months beginning on
19 or after that date.

