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# H. R. 6013

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 10, 2025

Mr. MULLIN (for himself, Mr. MOYLAN, and Mr. CASE) introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Filipino Veterans Fair-  
5 ness Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENT OF VETERANS BENEFITS FUR-**  
2 **NISHED TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO**  
3 **SERVED IN THE FORCES OF THE PHIL-**  
4 **IPPINES AND THE PHILIPPINE SCOUTS.**

5 (a) EXPANSION OF BENEFITS.—Section 107 of title  
6 38, United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)—

8 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “; and”  
9 and inserting a semicolon;

10 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking the pe-  
11 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the  
13 following new paragraph:

14 “(4) sections 1541 and 1542 of this title.”; and

15 (2) in subsection (b)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “; and”  
17 and inserting a semicolon;

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking the pe-  
19 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

20 (C) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
21 following new paragraph:

22 “(3) sections 1541 and 1542 of this title.”; and

23 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—Such section is further amended  
24 by adding at the end the following new subsections:

25 “(e)(1) In determining the eligibility of the service  
26 of an individual under this section, the Secretary shall

1 take into account any alternative documentation regarding  
2 such service, including documentation other than the rec-  
3 ognized guerrilla rosters stored at the National Personnel  
4 Records Center, that the Secretary determines relevant.

5 “(2) Not later than March 1 of each year, the Sec-  
6 retary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs  
7 of the Senate and House of Representatives a report that  
8 includes—

9 “(A) the number of individuals applying for  
10 benefits pursuant to this section during the previous  
11 year; and

12 “(B) the number of such individuals that the  
13 Secretary approved for benefits.

14 “(f) Section 1002(h) of the American Recovery and  
15 Reinvestment Act of 2009 (title X of division A of Public  
16 Law 111–5; 123 Stat. 200; 38 U.S.C. 107 note) shall not  
17 apply to an individual described in subsection (a) or (b)  
18 of this section.”.

19 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by  
21 this section shall take effect on the date that is 270  
22 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

23 (2) APPLICABILITY.—No benefits shall accrue  
24 to any person for any period before the effective date

1 of this Act by reason of the amendments made by  
2 this section.

