AN ACT
To provide for the enlistment and commissioning of women in the Coast Guard Reserve, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 3 of title 14, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (a) of section 41a is amended—
(a) by striking the comma in the second sentence following the words "Retired officers" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and";
(b) by striking from the second sentence the following phrase "and officers of the Women's Reserve".

(2) Subsection (c) of section 42 is amended—
(a) by striking the comma in the second sentence following the words "Coast Guard Academy" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and";
(b) by striking from the second sentence the phrase "and of the Women's Reserve".

SEC. 2. Chapter 21 of title 14, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (e) of section 755 is amended by striking in the first sentence the words "of the Treasury to be exercised with respect to the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is operating under the Treasury Department."; and inserting in lieu thereof the words "of Transportation to be exercised with respect to the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the Navy."

(2) Section 762 is repealed.

(3) Subsection (a) of section 771 is amended to read as follows:
"(a) This subchapter applies only to the Coast Guard Reserve."

(4) Subsection (f) of section 775 is repealed.

(5) Subsection (c) of section 780 is amended as follows:
(a) in the first sentence by striking the word "high" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "higher";
(b) in clause (1), by striking the word "male", and by adding the word "and" following the semicolon.
(c) in clause (2), by striking the word "male", and by changing the semicolon to a period.
(d) by repealing clauses (3) and (4).

(6) Subsection (i) of section 786 is repealed.

(7) Subsection (a) of section 787 is amended by striking at the beginning thereof the words " Officers of the Women's Reserve in the grades of lieutenant (junior grade) and lieutenant failing of selection for promotion to the next higher grade, and all other".

(8) Subsection (c) of section 796 is repealed.

SEC. 3. Effective upon enactment of this Act, all members of the women's branch of the Coast Guard Reserve who were serving on active or inactive duty on the day before enactment shall become members of the Coast Guard Reserve without loss of grade, rate, date of rank, or other benefits earned by their prior service.

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