AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–19

OFFERED BY MR. BILIRAKIS OF FLORIDA

At the end of subtitle A of title VI add the following:

SEC. 606. ELIGIBILITY FOR PAYMENT OF BOTH RETIRED PAY AND VETERANS’ DISABILITY COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN ADDITIONAL MILITARY RETIREES WITH COMPENSABLE SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITIES.

(a) Extension of Concurrent Receipt Authority to Retirees With Service-Connected Disabilities Rated Less Than 50 Percent.—Section 1414(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking “Compensation” in the subsection heading and all that follows through “Subject” and inserting “Compensation.—Subject”; and

(2) by striking paragraph (2).

(b) Amendments To Reflect Conclusion of Phase-In of Concurrent Receipt of Retired Pay and Veterans’ Disability Compensation.—Section 1414 of title 10, United States Code, is further amended—
(1) in subsection (a), as amended by subsection (a) of this section, by striking the final sentence;

(2) by striking subsection (c) and redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as subsections (c) and (d), respectively; and

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

(c) Specification of Qualified Retirees for Concurrent Receipt Purposes.—Section 1414 of title 10, United States Code, is further amended—

(1) in subsection (a), as amended by subsections (a) and (b)—

(A) by striking “a member or” and all that follows through “is entitled” and inserting “an individual who is a qualified retiree for any month is entitled”; and

(B) by inserting “retired pay and veterans’ disability compensation” after “both”; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking “SPECIAL RULES” in the subsection heading and all that follows through “is subject to” and inserting “SPECIAL RULES FOR CHAPTER 61 DISABILITY RETIREEs.—In the case of a qualified retiree who is retired
under chapter 61 of this title, the retired pay
of the member is subject to”; and

(B) by striking paragraph (2); and

(3) in subsection (d), as redesignated and
amended by subsection (b), by adding at the end the
following new paragraph:

“(3) QUALIFIED RETIREE.—The term ‘qualified
retiree’ means a member or former member of the
uniformed services who, with respect to any
month—

“(A) is entitled to retired pay, other than
in the case of a member retired under chapter
61 of this title with less than 20 years of serv-
vice creditable under section 1405 of this title
and less than 20 years of service computed
under section 12732 of this title; and

“(B) is entitled to veterans’ disability com-
penation.”.

(d) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—

(1) SECTION HEADING.—The heading of section
1414 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to
read as follows:
“§ 1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ disability compensation: Concurrent payment of retired pay and disability compensation”.

(2) Table of Sections.—The item relating to such section in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 71 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“1414. Members eligible for retired pay who are also eligible for veterans’ disability compensation: Concurrent payment of retired pay and disability compensation.”.

(e) Conforming Amendment.—Section 1413a(f) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking “Subsection (d)” and inserting “Subsection (e)”.

(f) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect as of January 1, 2020, and shall apply to payments for months beginning on or after that date.