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H. R. 1960

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2025

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. BRESNAHAN, and Mr. PANETTA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Simplifying Veterans
5 Assistance Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS PROVISION**
2 **OF GUIDANCE TO APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS**
3 **FOR COMPREHENSIVE SERVICE PROGRAMS**
4 **FOR HOMELESS VETERANS.**

5 Section 2011(e) of title 38, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (1) in the subsection heading, by inserting
8 “AND PROCESS” after “REQUIREMENT”;

9 (2) by inserting “(1)” before “An entity”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(2)(A) The Secretary shall make publicly available
13 on an appropriate website of the Department guidance
14 and best practices for entities seeking grants for projects
15 under this section.

16 “(B) After the announcement of a funding notice for
17 grants under this section, and before the application dead-
18 line, the Secretary shall offer at least two online informa-
19 tion sessions for entities seeking such grants. Each such
20 information session shall—

21 “(i) last for at least one hour;

22 “(ii) include the opportunity for participants to
23 ask questions about the grant application process;

24 “(iii) include an explanation of the specific lan-
25 guage in the grant application; and

- 1 “(iv) provide information about other sources of
- 2 information about such grants and assistance in ap-
- 3 plying for such grants.”.

