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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RASKIN (for himself, Mr. BACON, and Ms. DEXTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Pensions for Retired
3 Uniformed Servicemembers Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MILITARY RETIREMENT**

5 **FUND: PAYMENT OF RETIRED PAY FOR ALL**

6 **MEMBERS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1463 of title 10, United
8 States Code, is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “retired lists”
10 and all that follows through “Space Force” and in-
11 serting “retired lists of the uniformed services”;

12 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “armed
13 forces” and inserting “uniformed services”; and

14 (3) in paragraph (4)—

15 (A) by striking “Department of Defense
16 and the Department of Homeland Security”
17 and inserting “Departments of Defense, Home-
18 land Security, Commerce, and Health and
19 Human Services”;

20 (B) by striking “armed forces” and insert-
21 ing “uniformed services”;

22 (C) by striking “and section” and inserting
23 “section”; and

24 (D) by inserting “, subtitle C of the Na-
25 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
26 Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002 (33

1 U.S.C. 3041 et seq.), and section 229 of the
2 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 429)” after
3 “Public Law 96–402”.

4 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5 (1) FUND PURPOSE; DEFINITION.—Section
6 1461 of such title is amended—

7 (A) in subsection (a), by striking “the De-
8 partment of Defense and the Coast Guard” and
9 inserting “the uniformed services”; and

10 (B) in subsection (b)—

11 (i) in paragraph (2)—

12 (I) by striking “armed forces”
13 and inserting “uniformed services”;
14 and

15 (II) by striking “; and” and in-
16 serting a semicolon;

17 (ii) in paragraph (3), by striking the
18 period at the end and inserting a semi-
19 colon; and

20 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
21 lowing new paragraphs:

22 “(4) a program under subtitle C of the Na-
23 tional Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
24 Commissioned Officer Corps Act of 2002 (33 U.S.C.
25 3041 et seq.); and

1 “(5) a program under section 211 or 221 of the
2 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 212, 213a).”.

3 (2) DETERMINATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO
4 THE FUND.—Section 1465 of such title is amend-
5 ed—

6 (A) in subsection (a), by adding at the end
7 the following new paragraph:

8 “(3) Not later than January 1, 2027, the Board of
9 Actuaries, in consultation with the Secretaries of the de-
10 partments specified in section 1463(a)(4) of this title,
11 shall determine the amount that is the value on the date
12 of such determination of future benefits payable from the
13 Fund that are attributable to service in the commissioned
14 corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis-
15 tration and of the Public Health Service performed before
16 such date. That amount is the original National Oceanic
17 and Atmospheric Administration and Public Health Serv-
18 ice unfunded liability of the Fund. The Board shall deter-
19 mine the period of time over which the original National
20 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Public
21 Health Service unfunded liability should be liquidated and
22 shall determine an amortization schedule for the liquida-
23 tion of such liability over that period. Contributions to the
24 Fund for the liquidation of the original National Oceanic
25 and Atmospheric Administration and Public Health Serv-

1 ice unfunded liability in accordance with such schedule
2 shall be made as provided in section 1466(b) of this title.”;

3 (B) in subsection (b)—

4 (i) in paragraph (1)—

5 (I) in the matter preceding sub-
6 paragraph (A)—

7 (aa) by striking “Secretary
8 of the department in which the
9 Coast Guard is operating” and
10 inserting “Secretaries of the de-
11 partments specified in section
12 1463(a)(4) of this title”; and

13 (bb) by striking “Depart-
14 ment of Defense and Coast
15 Guard” and inserting “uniformed
16 services”;

17 (II) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by
18 striking “Armed Forces” and insert-
19 ing “uniformed services”; and

20 (III) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by
21 striking “armed forces” and inserting
22 “uniformed services”;

23 (ii) in paragraph (2), by inserting “,
24 the Department of Health and Human
25 Services Retirement Pay account for Com-

1 missioned officers, and the Department of
2 Commerce NOAA Corps Retirement Pay
3 account for Commissioned officers” after
4 “Coast Guard Retired Pay account”; and

5 (iii) in paragraph (3), by striking
6 “Department of Defense and Coast
7 Guard”;

8 (C) in subsection (c)—

9 (i) in paragraph (1)—

10 (I) in the matter preceding sub-
11 paragraph (A), by striking “Secretary
12 of the department in which the Coast
13 Guard is operating” and inserting
14 “Secretaries of the departments speci-
15 fied in section 1463(a)(4) of this
16 title”;

17 (II) in subparagraph (A), by
18 striking “Armed Forces” and insert-
19 ing “uniformed services”; and

20 (III) in subparagraph (B), by
21 striking “armed forces” and inserting
22 “uniformed services”; and

23 (ii) in paragraphs (2) and (3), by
24 striking “Secretary of the department in
25 which the Coast Guard is operating” both

places it appears and inserting “Secretaries of the departments specified in section 1463(a)(4) of this title”; and

(D) in subsection (e), by striking “The Secretary of Defense and, with regard to the Coast Guard, the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall” and inserting “The Secretary of a department specified in section 1463(a)(4) of this title shall, with regard to the respective department”.

(3) PAYMENTS INTO THE FUND.—Section 1466 of such title is amended—

(A) in subsection (a)—

(i) in the matter preceding paragraph

(1)—

(I) by striking “Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, with respect to the Coast Guard” and inserting “Secretaries of the departments specified in section 1463(a)(4) of this title”; and

(II) by striking “the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the de-

partment in which the Coast Guard is operating” and inserting “such Secretaries”;

(ii) in paragraph (1)(B), by inserting “, the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, or the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service” after “Coast Guard”; and

(iii) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “armed forces” and inserting “uniformed services”;

(B) in subsection (b)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking “armed forces under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of a military department” and inserting “uniformed services”; and

(ii) in paragraph (2), by striking “Coast Guard” and inserting “Coast Guard, commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, or the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service”; and

(C) in subsection (c)—

(i) in paragraph (1), by striking “Secretary of Defense” and inserting “Secre-

1 taries of the departments specified in sec-
2 tion 1463(a)(4) of this title of this title”;

3 (ii) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking
4 “the Department of Defense and the Coast
5 Guard” and inserting “each uniformed
6 service”; and

7 (iii) in paragraph (3), by striking
8 “Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of
9 the Department in which the Coast Guard
10 is operating” and inserting “Secretaries of
11 the departments specified in section
12 1463(a)(4) of this title”.

13 (4) RETIRED SERVICEMAN’S FAMILY PROTEC-
14 TION PLAN.—Subchapter I of chapter 73 of title 10,
15 United States Code, is amended—

16 (A) in section 1444(a), by striking “armed
17 forces, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric
18 Administration, and the Public Health Service”
19 and inserting “uniformed services”;

20 (B) by striking “armed forces” each place
21 it appears and inserting “uniformed services”;

22 (C) by striking “an armed force” both
23 places it appears and inserting “a uniformed
24 service”;

1 (D) by striking “armed force” each place
 2 it appears and inserting “uniformed service”;
 3 and

4 (E) in the headings to sections 1431 and
 5 1432 by striking “**armed forces**” both places
 6 it appears and inserting “**uniformed serv-**
 7 **ices**”.

8 (5) SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN.—Section
 9 1449(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended
 10 by striking “armed force” and inserting “uniformed
 11 service”.

12 (6) NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC AD-
 13 MINISTRATION COMMISSIONED OFFICER CORPS ACT
 14 OF 2002.—Section 261(a) of the National Oceanic
 15 and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Offi-
 16 cer Corps Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–372; 33
 17 U.S.C. 3071) is amended—

18 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (21)
 19 through (27) as paragraphs (22) through (28),
 20 respectively; and

21 (B) by inserting, after paragraph (20), the
 22 following new paragraph (21):

23 “(21) Chapter 74, relating to the Department
 24 of Defense Military Retirement Fund.”.

1 (7) PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT.—Section
2 221(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
3 213a(a)) is amended—

4 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (6)
5 through (21) as paragraphs (7) through (22),
6 respectively; and

7 (B) by inserting, after paragraph (5), the
8 following new paragraph (6):

9 “(6) Chapter 74, Department of Defense Mili-
10 tary Retirement Fund.”.

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