

118TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2496

To provide interim appropriations for the Coast Guard Retired Serviceman's Family Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2022, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2023

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee (for himself and Mr. VAN ORDEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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 “Protecting Gold Star
5 Spouses Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. INTERIM APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COAST GUARD**
2 **RETIRED SERVICEMAN'S FAMILY PROTEC-**
3 **TION AND SURVIVOR BENEFITS PLANS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are hereby appropriated,
5 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
6 priated, for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2022, such
7 sums as necessary for payment of the Coast Guard Re-
8 tired Serviceman's Family Protection and Survivor Bene-
9 fits Plans, as are described in the provision regarding
10 Coast Guard retired pay in title II of division F of the
11 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–
12 260), at a rate for operations and under the terms and
13 conditions provided by the most recent law making full-
14 year appropriations for such Coast Guard Retired Service-
15 man's Family Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans.

16 (b) EFFECT OF ENACTMENT OF SUBSEQUENT AP-
17 PROPRIATIONS.—If an appropriation for such Coast
18 Guard Retired Serviceman's Family Protection and Sur-
19 vivor Benefits Plans, or a general appropriation bill pro-
20 viding appropriations for the Coast Guard without provi-
21 sion for such Coast Guard Retired Serviceman's Family
22 Protection and Survivor Benefits Plans, is enacted into
23 law on any date after the date of the enactment of this
24 Act that provides for appropriations during a fiscal year
25 following the expenditure of funds during such fiscal year
26 pursuant to this Act—

1 (1) such expenditure shall be charged to such
2 appropriation (if any); and

3 (2) appropriations made available for such fis-
4 cal year pursuant to this Act shall not be available
5 after the date of enactment of such appropriation or
6 general appropriation bill.

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