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H. R. 3963

To amend title 10, United States Code, to extend military commissary and exchange store privileges to certain veterans who have been awarded the Purple Heart and to their dependents.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Mr. DOLD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “Purple Heart Heroes
5 Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMMISSARY AND EXCHANGE STORE PRIVILEGES**
2 **FOR CERTAIN VETERANS WHO HAVE BEEN**
3 **AWARDED THE PURPLE HEART AND THEIR**
4 **DEPENDENTS.**

5 (a) EXTENSION OF PRIVILEGES.—Chapter 54 of title
6 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
7 the following new section:

8 **“§ 1065. Use of commissary and MWR retail facilities:**
9 **certain veterans who have been awarded**
10 **the Purple Heart and their dependents**

11 “(a) CERTAIN PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS.—A vet-
12 eran who has a disability that is compensable under the
13 laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
14 and that is attributable to an injury for which the veteran
15 was awarded the Purple Heart shall be permitted to use
16 commissary stores and MWR retail facilities on the same
17 basis as a member of the armed forces entitled to retired
18 or retainer pay.

19 “(b) DEPENDENTS.—A dependent of a veteran de-
20 scribed in subsection (a) shall be permitted to use com-
21 missary and MWR retail facilities on the same basis as
22 a dependent of a member of the armed forces entitled to
23 retired or retainer pay.

24 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 “(1) The term ‘MWR retail facilities’ has the
2 meaning given that term in section 1063(e) of this
3 title.

4 “(2) The term ‘veteran’ has the meaning given
5 that term in section 101 of title 38.”.

6 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
7 at the beginning of chapter 54 of title 10, United States
8 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
9 item:

 “1065. Use of commissary and MWR retail facilities: certain veterans who have
 been awarded the Purple Heart and their dependents.”.

10 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 1065 of title 10,
11 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take
12 effect at the end of the 90-day period beginning on the
13 date of the enactment of this Act.

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