## 116тн CONGRESS 1st Session **S. 1412**

To authorize veterans service organizations to solicit donations at post offices before and after Federal holidays.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 9, 2019

Mr. SCHUMER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental 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 "Restoring Access, Im5 proving Service to Enable Veterans Engaging To
6 Fundraise Act of 2019" or the "RAISE VET FUND
7 Act".

1	SEC. 2. SOLICITATION BY VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZA-
2	TIONS AT POST OFFICES.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of title 39, United
4	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5	lowing:
6	"(f) Solicitation by Veterans Service Organi-
7	ZATIONS AT POST OFFICES.—
8	"(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—
9	"(A) the term 'business day' means a day
10	on which a post office is open;
11	"(B) the term 'Federal holiday' means—
12	"(i) a legal public holiday under sec-
13	tion 6103(a) of title 5; and
14	"(ii) Flag Day, as designated under
15	section 110 of title 36;
16	"(C) the term 'holiday period' means the
17	period beginning 2 business days before, and
18	ending 2 business days after, a Federal holiday;
19	and
20	"(D) the term 'veterans service organiza-
21	tion' means an organization recognized by the
22	Secretary of Veterans Affairs for the represen-
23	tation of veterans under section 5902 of title
24	38.
25	"(2) AUTHORIZATION.—The Postal Service
26	shall permit a veterans service organization to solicit
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donations by distributing items that are symbols for
 veterans at a post office on any business day during
 a holiday period.".

4 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the 5 date of enactment of this Act, the United States Postal 6 Service shall promulgate regulations governing the use of 7 post offices by veterans service organizations, including 8 with respect to scheduling, under subsection (f) of section 9 404 of title 39, United States Code, as added by sub-10 section (a).

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (f) of section 404
of title 39, United States Code, as added by subsection
(a), shall take effect on the date that is 120 days after
the date of enactment of this Act.

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