

G.I. Justice

Military Civil Rights Act (MCRA)

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Mr/s. _____ introduced the following bill.

A BILL

To amend United States Code to strengthen and expand civil rights for servicemembers and veterans of the United States Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

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SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the “G.I. Justice Act of 2019” or the “Military Civil Rights Act of 2019”.

SECTION 2. CIVIL RIGHTS FOR SERVICEMEMBERS AND VETERANS.

(a) Title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 1389(a)— by striking out “on account of” and inserting in lieu thereof “because of the actual or perceived”.

(2) in section 1389(c)(3)(B)— by striking out “during the 5-year period beginning on the date of the discharge from the Armed Forces of that member of the Armed Forces”.

(b) Title 34, United States Code, is amended in section 41305(b)(1) by inserting “military service” after “disability”.

(c) Title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 101(2)—

(A) by striking out “active military, naval, or air service” and inserting in lieu thereof “Armed Forces, as that term is defined in Section 101(a)(4) of Title 10”.

(B) by striking out “under conditions other than dishonorable”.

(2) in section 4212(a)(3)(A)— by striking out “of the following veterans: (i) Disabled veterans. (ii) Veterans who served on active duty in the Armed Forces during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized. (iii) Veterans who, while serving on active duty in the Armed Forces, participated in a United States military operation for which an Armed Forces service medal was awarded pursuant to Executive Order No. 12985 (61 Fed. Reg. 1209). (iv) Recently separated veterans” and inserting in lieu thereof “person who served in the Armed Forces, as defined by section 101(A)(4) of Title 10, and who was discharged therefrom.”.

(d) Title 42, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in section 2000d— by inserting “military rank, veteran status” after “color”.

(2) in section 2000e-2— by inserting “military rank, veteran status” after “sex” wherever appearing in clauses (a) to (m).

(3) in section 3604— by inserting “military rank, veteran status” after “familial status” wherever appearing in clauses (a) to (f).