Public Law 112-26 Restoring GI Bill Fairness Act of 2011 (H.R. 1383)

Title: To temporarily preserve higher rates for tuition and fees for programs of education at nonpublic institutions of higher learning pursued by individuals enrolled in the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs before the enactment of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010, and for other purposes.

Mr. Miller of Florida introduced H.R. 1383 on April 6, 2011.

Public Law 112-26 will:

- Change the <u>maximum</u> tuition and fees paid on behalf of certain veterans attending certain high cost non-public institutions of higher learning from \$17,500 to a \$27,000 annually. The change would be effective for three years beginning with enrollments starting in January 2011 through July 31, 2014.
- Provide a PAYGO offset by extending existing loan fee requirements associated with the subsequent use of a VA loan guarantee for 1 year at slightly higher rates than would otherwise apply.

Effective Date: Not later than October 1, 2011.

Legislative History:

- May 3, 2011: Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- May 5, 2011: Ordered reported, as amended, by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- May 12, 2011: Ordered reported, as amended, by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs by a record vote of 13 Yeas and 6 Nays.
- May 20, 2011: Reported, H. Rept. 112-81.
- May 23, 2011: House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill with a Manager's amendment by the Yeas and Nays: 389-0, Roll No. 331.
- Jul. 21, 2011: Passed Senate with further amendments by Unanimous Consent.
- Jul. 25, 2011: House moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Jul. 26, 2011: House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays: 424-0 (Roll No. 638)..
- Aug. 3, 2011: Signed by the President.