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118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Investing in Veteran  
3 Entrepreneurial Talents Act” or the “Investing in VETS  
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN GOVERNMENTWIDE GOAL FOR PAR-**  
6 **TICIPATION IN FEDERAL CONTRACTS BY**  
7 **SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED AND**  
8 **CONTROLLED BY SERVICE-DISABLED VET-**  
9 **ERANS.**

10 Section 15(g)(1)(A)(ii) of the Small Business Act (15  
11 U.S.C. 644(g)(1)(A)(ii)) is amended by striking “3 per-  
12 cent” and inserting “5 percent”.

13 **SEC. 3. EXCLUSION OF SELF-CERTIFIED SDVOSBS FROM**  
14 **GOVERNMENTWIDE AND AGENCY GOALS.**

15 Section 15(g) of such Act (15 U.S.C. 644(g)) is  
16 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
17 graph:

18 “(4) EXCLUSION OF SELF-CERTIFIED SDVOSBS  
19 FROM GOALS.—Only small business concerns owned and  
20 controlled by service-disabled veterans that have been cer-  
21 tified under section 36 shall be included in calculating the  
22 goals established—

23 “(A) under this paragraph (1)(A)(ii); and

24 “(B) by the head of a Federal agency for small  
25 business concerns owned and controlled by service-  
26 disabled veterans under paragraph (2).”.