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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 15, 2013

Mr. ANDREWS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and the Workforce

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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. REQUIRED VERIFICATION.**

2 Section 428C of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
3 (20 U.S.C. 1078–3) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)(3)(B)(i)(V)(aa), by insert-  
5 ing before the period at the end the following: “in  
6 a case in which the Secretary verifies that the indi-  
7 vidual is currently eligible for income contingent re-  
8 payment or income-based repayment and that the  
9 loan(s) in question have been submitted to the guar-  
10 anty agency for default aversion or if the loan is al-  
11 ready in default”;

12 (2) in subsection (a)(3)(B)(i)(V)(bb), by insert-  
13 ing before the period at the end the following: “in  
14 a case in which the Secretary verifies with docu-  
15 mentation that the individual is, at the time of the  
16 application, employed in a public service job, as that  
17 term is defined in section 455(m)(3)”;

18 (3) in subsection (a)(3)(B)(i)(V)(cc), by insert-  
19 ing before the period at the end the following: “in  
20 a case in which the Secretary verifies that the indi-  
21 vidual is a member of a regular or reserve compo-  
22 nent of the Armed Forces by contacting the Sec-  
23 retary of the military department or the Secretary of  
24 Homeland Security, as the case may be, having ju-  
25 risdiction over the Armed Force in which the indi-  
26 vidual claims to be a member”; and

1           (4) in subsection (b)(5), by inserting after the  
2           second sentence the following: “In addition, the Sec-  
3           retary shall not offer any loans offered under this  
4           paragraph unless the Secretary has received  
5           verification described in subsection (a)(3)(B)(i)(V)  
6           (aa)–(cc), as applicable.”.

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