

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1171

To amend title 40, United States Code, to improve veterans service organizations access to Federal surplus personal property.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2013

Mr. BENISHEK (for himself, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, and Mr. O'ROURKE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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 “Formerly Owned Re-
5 sources for Veterans to Express Thanks for Service Act
6 of 2013” or the “FOR VETS Act of 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. VETERANS ACCESS TO FEDERAL EXCESS AND SUR-**
2 **PLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY.**

3 Section 549(c)(3) of title 40, United States Code, is
4 amended—

5 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at
6 the end;

7 (2) in subparagraph (B)—

8 (A) in clause (viii), by adding “or” at the
9 end; and

10 (B) by striking clause (x); and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(C) for purposes of providing services to
13 veterans (as defined in section 101 of title 38),
14 to an organization whose—

15 “(i) membership comprises substan-
16 tially veterans; and

17 “(ii) representatives are recognized by
18 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under
19 section 5902 of title 38.”.

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