

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Congress to create an accreditation  
2 pathway through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for private companies  
3 assisting veterans with their benefits.

4 WHEREAS, the men and women who have served our great Commonwealth and  
5 nation deserve the benefits they have painstakingly earned through their time in uniform;  
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7 WHEREAS, the veterans of this Commonwealth have earned the right to make  
8 their own decisions, especially when it comes to navigating the complex disability claims  
9 process through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

10 WHEREAS, this nation's veterans have routinely not received their full benefits  
11 because the system designed to support them falls short; the process is often lengthy,  
12 cumbersome, and inconsistent; and

13 WHEREAS, veterans often turn to private companies whose mission is to assist  
14 veterans with their benefits claims by tackling the red tape and procuring medical  
15 documentation and other necessary paperwork on behalf of the veterans using these  
16 private companies; and

17 WHEREAS, these companies are often prohibited from fully helping veterans  
18 because of the lack of clear guidance from Congress and the patchwork of states' laws  
19 meant to deter the bad actors from harming veterans instead often hamstringing the good  
20 actors; and

21 WHEREAS, currently there is not a commonsense pathway to accreditation through  
22 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for private companies to receive  
23 accreditation; and

24 WHEREAS, Congress should act swiftly to pass the CHOICE for Veterans Act  
25 (H.R. 3132) which creates a pathway for accreditation for private companies that aid  
26 veterans in procuring their earned benefits;

27 NOW, THEREFORE,

1 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*  
2 *Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Senate concurring therein:*

3       ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives hereby urges Congress to create an  
4 accreditation pathway through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for  
5 private companies assisting veterans with their benefits.

6       ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a  
7 copy of this Resolution to the Kentucky Congressional delegation.