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To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

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A BILL

To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a veterans jobs corps, and for other purposes.

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 “Veterans Jobs Corps
5 Act of 2012”.

1 **SEC. 2. VETERANS JOBS CORPS.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Veterans
3 Affairs shall, in cooperation with the Attorney General,
4 the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce,
5 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of the
6 Interior, and the Commanding General of the United
7 States Army Corps of Engineers, establish a veterans jobs
8 corps to employ veterans—

9 (1) in conservation, resource management, and
10 historic preservation projects on public lands and
11 maintenance and improvement projects for ceme-
12 teries under the jurisdiction of the National Ceme-
13 tery Administration; and

14 (2) as firefighters and law enforcement officers.

15 (b) CONSERVATION, RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, HIS-
16 TORIC PRESERVATION, AND CEMETERY MAINTENANCE
17 AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—As part of the veterans jobs
19 corps, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Sec-
20 retary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce,
21 the Secretary of the Interior, and the Commanding
22 General of the United States Army Corps of Engi-
23 neers shall—

24 (A) employ veterans to carry out projects
25 described in subsection (a)(1); or

1 (B) award grants to, or enter into con-
2 tracts with, State governments, local govern-
3 ments, or nongovernmental entities to employ
4 veterans to carry out projects described in sub-
5 section (a)(1).

6 (2) PRIORITY.—In employing or awarding
7 grants or contracts to employ veterans under this
8 subsection, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the
9 Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Com-
10 merce, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Com-
11 manding General of the United States Army Corps
12 of Engineers shall give priority towards the employ-
13 ment of veterans who served on active duty in the
14 Armed Forces on or after September 11, 2001.

15 (3) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Vet-
16 erans Affairs shall coordinate the activities of the
17 Attorney General, the Secretary of Agriculture, the
18 Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Homeland
19 Security, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Com-
20 manding General of the United States Army Corps
21 of Engineers to employ veterans as part of the vet-
22 erans job corps.

23 (4) OVERSIGHT OF PROJECTS.—The secretaries
24 referred to in paragraph (1) and the Commanding
25 General of the United States Army Corps of Engi-

1 neers shall each provide oversight of the projects for
2 which they employ veterans under subparagraph (A)
3 of such paragraph or award grants or enter into
4 contracts under subparagraph (B) of such para-
5 graph.

6 (c) FIRST RESPONDERS.—

7 (1) FIREFIGHTERS.—As part of the veterans
8 jobs corps, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall
9 award grants under section 34 of the Federal Fire
10 Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C.
11 2229a) to hire veterans as firefighters.

12 (2) LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.—As part of
13 the veterans jobs corps, the Attorney General shall
14 award grants under part Q of title I of the Omnibus
15 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42
16 U.S.C. 3796dd et seq.) to hire veterans as law en-
17 forcement officers.

18 (3) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this
19 subsection to hire veterans, the Secretary of Home-
20 land Security and the Attorney General shall give
21 priority to the hiring of veterans who served on ac-
22 tive duty in the Armed Forces on or after September
23 11, 2001.

24 (d) ASSISTANCE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans
2 Affairs may provide assistance to the secretaries de-
3 scribed in subsection (a), the Attorney General, and
4 the Commanding General of the United States Army
5 Corps of Engineers to carry out the veterans jobs
6 corps. Such assistance may take the form of a trans-
7 fer under paragraph (2).

8 (2) TRANSFERS.—Except as otherwise provided
9 in this subsection, of amounts appropriated or other-
10 wise made available to the Secretary of Veterans Af-
11 fairs to carry out this section, the Secretary of Vet-
12 erans Affairs may transfer such amounts as the Sec-
13 retary considers appropriate to carry out the vet-
14 erans jobs corps to the following:

15 (A) The Attorney General.

16 (B) The Secretary of Agriculture.

17 (C) The Secretary of Commerce.

18 (D) The Secretary of Homeland Security.

19 (E) The Secretary of the Interior.

20 (F) The Commanding General of the
21 United States Army Corps of Engineers.

22 (3) ASSISTANCE FOR CONSERVATION, RE-
23 SOURCE MANAGEMENT, HISTORIC PRESERVATION,
24 AND CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT
25 PROJECTS.—

1 (A) APPLICATION.—If a secretary referred
2 to in subsection (b)(1) or the Commanding
3 General of the United States Army Corps of
4 Engineers seeks assistance under paragraph (1)
5 to employ a veteran to carry out a project
6 under subparagraph (A) of subsection (b)(1) or
7 to award a grant or contract to carry out a
8 project under subparagraph (B) of such sub-
9 section, such secretary or the Commanding
10 General shall submit to the Secretary of Vet-
11 erans Affairs an application therefor at such
12 time, in such manner, and containing such in-
13 formation as the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
14 may require.

15 (B) SELECTION.—The Secretary of Vet-
16 erans Affairs shall, in consultation with the
17 steering committee established under subpara-
18 graph (C), award assistance under this para-
19 graph in accordance with such criteria as the
20 steering committee establishes.

21 (C) STEERING COMMITTEE.—

22 (i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
23 Veterans Affairs shall establish a steering
24 committee—

1 (I) to establish selection criteria
2 for the awarding of assistance under
3 paragraph (1) to employ a veteran to
4 carry out a project under subpara-
5 graph (A) of subsection (b)(1) or to
6 award a grant or contract to carry out
7 a project under subparagraph (B) of
8 such subsection; and

9 (II) to provide the Secretary of
10 Veterans Affairs with advice on
11 awarding assistance under this sub-
12 section with respect to projects de-
13 scribed in subsection (a)(1) and car-
14 rying out the veterans jobs corps
15 under subsection (b).

16 (ii) COMPOSITION.—The steering com-
17 mittee shall be composed of the following:

18 (I) The Secretary of Veterans Af-
19 fairs.

20 (II) The Secretary of Agri-
21 culture.

22 (III) The Secretary of Com-
23 merce.

24 (IV) The Secretary of the Inte-
25 rior.

1 (V) The Commanding General of
2 the United States Army Corps of En-
3 gineers.

4 (iii) CHAIRPERSON.—The chairperson
5 of the steering committee shall be the Sec-
6 retary of Veterans Affairs.

7 (iv) ADVISORY INPUT.—The Secretary
8 of Defense and the Secretary of Labor may
9 provide advice to the steering committee.

10 (4) ASSISTANCE FOR FIRST RESPONDERS.—Not
11 more than 10 percent of amounts appropriated or
12 otherwise made available to the Secretary of Vet-
13 erans Affairs to carry out this section may be trans-
14 ferred to the Attorney General and the Secretary of
15 Homeland Security to employ veterans under sub-
16 section (c).

17 (e) REPORTING FRAMEWORK.—The Secretary of Vet-
18 erans Affairs shall establish a reporting framework to reg-
19 ularly monitor and evaluate the veterans jobs corps to en-
20 sure proper oversight and accountability of the veterans
21 jobs corps.

22 (f) OUTREACH.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs
23 shall ensure that veterans employed under the veterans
24 jobs corps are aware of benefits and assistance available

1 to them under laws administered by the Secretary of Vet-
2 erans Affairs.

3 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is available without
5 further appropriation to the Secretary of Veterans
6 Affairs to carry out this section, \$1,000,000,000 for
7 the period of fiscal years 2012 through 2017.

8 (2) LIMITATION.—Of amounts made appro-
9 priated or otherwise made available to carry out this
10 section, not more than five percent may be spent to
11 administer the veterans jobs corps.

12 (h) VETERAN DEFINED.—In this section, the term
13 “veteran” has the meaning given the term in section 101
14 of title 38, United States Code.

15 **SEC. 3. PILOT PROGRAM ON PROVIDING VETERANS WITH**
16 **ACCESS AT ONE-STOP CENTERS TO INTER-**
17 **NET WEBSITES TO FACILITATE ONLINE JOB**
18 **SEARCHES.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
20 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor
21 shall commence a pilot program to assess the feasibility
22 and advisability of providing veterans seeking employment
23 with access to computing facilities to facilitate the access
24 of such veterans to Internet websites that—

1 (1) match such veterans with available jobs
2 based on the skills the veterans acquired as members
3 of the Armed Forces; and

4 (2) allow employers to post information about
5 available jobs.

6 (b) DURATION.—The pilot program required by sub-
7 section (a) shall be carried out during the one-year period
8 beginning on the date on which the Secretary commences
9 the pilot program.

10 (c) LOCATIONS.—The pilot program shall be carried
11 out at such one-stop centers and such other locations as
12 the Secretary of Labor considers appropriate for purposes
13 of the pilot program.

14 (d) ASSISTANCE WITH USE OF INTERNET
15 WEBSITES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Under the pilot program,
17 the Secretary of Labor shall provide each veteran
18 using computing facilities made available under the
19 pilot program with assistance in using such facilities
20 to find employment via Internet websites described
21 in subsection (a).

22 (2) DISABLED VETERANS' OUTREACH PROGRAM
23 SPECIALISTS AND LOCAL VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT
24 REPRESENTATIVES.—Each State that employs a dis-
25 abled veterans' outreach program specialist under

1 section 4103A of title 38, United States Code, or a
2 local veterans' employment representative under sec-
3 tion 4104 of such title shall make such employees
4 available to the Secretary of Labor for purposes of
5 providing assistance under paragraph (1).

6 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 455 days after the date
7 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall
8 submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and the
9 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of
10 the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and
11 the Committee on Education and the Workforce of the
12 House of Representatives a report on the pilot program
13 that includes the findings of the Secretary with respect
14 to the feasibility and advisability of providing computing
15 facilities as described in subsection (a) with assistance as
16 described in subsection (d) at all one-stop centers.

17 (f) FUNDING.—Amounts made available to the Sec-
18 retary of Labor to make grants or contracts under section
19 4102A(b)(5) of title 38, United States Code, shall be
20 available to the Secretary to carry out the pilot program
21 required by subsection (a).

22 (g) ONE-STOP CENTER DEFINED.—In this section,
23 the term “one-stop center” means a center described in
24 section 134(c) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998
25 (29 U.S.C. 2864(c)).

1 **SEC. 4. STATE CONSIDERATION OF MILITARY TRAINING IN**
2 **GRANTING CERTAIN STATE CERTIFICATIONS**
3 **AND LICENSES AS A CONDITION ON THE RE-**
4 **CEIPT OF FUNDS FOR VETERANS EMPLOY-**
5 **MENT AND TRAINING.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4102A(c) of title 38,
7 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(9)(A) As a condition of a grant or contract under
10 which funds are made available to a State in order to carry
11 out section 4103A or 4104 of this title for any program
12 year, the Secretary shall require the State—

13 “(i) to demonstrate that when the State ap-
14 proves or denies a certification or license described
15 in subparagraph (B) for a veteran the State takes
16 into consideration any training received or experi-
17 ence gained by the veteran while serving on active
18 duty in the Armed Forces; and

19 “(ii) to disclose to the Secretary in writing the
20 following:

21 “(I) Criteria applicants must satisfy to re-
22 ceive a certification or license described in sub-
23 paragraph (B) by the State.

24 “(II) A description of the standard prac-
25 tices of the State for evaluating training re-
26 ceived by veterans while serving on active duty

1 in the Armed Forces and evaluating the docu-
2 mented work experience of such veterans during
3 such service for purposes of approving or deny-
4 ing a certification or license described in sub-
5 paragraph (B).

6 “(III) Identification of areas in which
7 training and experience described in subclause
8 (II) fails to meet criteria described in subclause
9 (I).”

10 “(B) A certification or license described in this sub-
11 paragraph is any of the following:

12 “(i) A license to be a State tested nursing as-
13 sistant or a certified nursing assistant.

14 “(ii) A commercial driver’s license.

15 “(iii) An emergency medical technician license
16 EMT–B or EMT–I.

17 “(iv) An emergency medical technician–para-
18 medic license.

19 “(C) The Secretary shall share the information the
20 Secretary receives under subparagraph (A)(ii) with the
21 Secretary of Defense to help the Secretary of Defense im-
22 prove training for military occupational specialties so that
23 individuals who receive such training are able to receive
24 a certification or license described in subparagraph (B)
25 from a State.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to a program year
3 beginning on or after the date of the enactment of this
4 Act.

5 **SEC. 5. MINIMUM FUNDING LEVELS FOR DISABLED VET-**
6 **ERANS' OUTREACH PROGRAM SPECIALISTS**
7 **AND LOCAL VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT REP-**
8 **RESENTATIVES.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Clause (iii) of section
10 4102A(c)(2)(B) of title 38, United States Code, is amend-
11 ed to read as follows:

12 “(i)(I) In carrying out this paragraph, the Secretary
13 shall establish minimum funding levels and may establish
14 hold-harmless criteria for States.

15 “(II) Except as provided in subclause (III), at a min-
16 imum, the minimum funding levels establish under sub-
17 clause (I) shall ensure that each State receives sufficient
18 funding to support at least one disabled veterans’ outreach
19 program specialist appointed under section 4103A(a)(1)
20 of this title and one local veterans’ employment represent-
21 ative assigned under section 4104(b) of this title per 5,000
22 square miles of service delivery area within the State.

23 “(III) In determining minimum funding levels under
24 subclause (II), the Secretary may exclude consideration of

1 counties with a population density of less than one person
2 per square mile.”.

3 (b) REPORT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
6 retary of Labor shall submit to Congress a report on
7 the effect of the amendment made by subsection (a)
8 on veterans who reside in highly rural areas.

9 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-
10 graph (1) shall include the following:

11 (A) A description of the effect of the
12 amendment made by subsection (a) on veterans
13 who reside in highly rural areas.

14 (B) Such recommendations for legislative
15 or administrative action as the Secretary con-
16 siders appropriate to improve the provision of
17 contracts and grants under section 4102A(b)(5)
18 of such title to meet the needs of veterans who
19 reside in highly rural areas and are eligible for
20 services furnished under chapter 41 of such
21 title.

22 (3) HIGHLY RURAL DEFINED.—In this sub-
23 section, the term “highly rural”, in the case of an
24 area, means that the area consists of a county or

1 counties having a population of less than seven per-
2 sons per square mile.

3 **SEC. 6. OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAINING.**

4 (a) PROVISION OF OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAIN-
5 ING.—During the one-year period beginning on the date
6 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall
7 provide the Transition Assistance Program under section
8 1144 of title 10, United States Code, to eligible individuals
9 at locations other than military installations to assess the
10 feasibility and advisability of providing such program to
11 eligible individuals at locations other than military instal-
12 lations.

13 (b) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—For purposes of this
14 section, an eligible individual is a veteran or the spouse
15 of a veteran.

16 (c) LOCATIONS.—

17 (1) NUMBER OF STATES.—The Secretary shall
18 carry out the training under subsection (a) in not
19 less than three and not more than five States se-
20 lected by the Secretary for purposes of this section.

21 (2) SELECTION OF STATES WITH HIGH UNEM-
22 PLOYMENT.—Of the States selected by the Secretary
23 under paragraph (1), at least two shall be States
24 with high rates of unemployment among veterans.

1 (3) NUMBER OF LOCATIONS IN EACH STATE.—

2 The Secretary shall provide training under sub-
3 section (a) to eligible individuals at a sufficient num-
4 ber of locations within each State selected under this
5 subsection to meet the needs of eligible individuals
6 in such State.

7 (4) SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—The Secretary
8 shall select locations for the provision of training
9 under subsection (a) to facilitate access by partici-
10 pants and may not select any location on a military
11 installation other than a National Guard or reserve
12 facility that is not located on an active duty military
13 installation.

14 (d) INCLUSION OF INFORMATION ABOUT VETERANS
15 BENEFITS.—The Secretary shall ensure that the training
16 provided under subsection (a) generally follows the content
17 of the Transition Assistance Program under section 1144
18 of title 10, United States Code.

19 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 1 of
20 any year during which the Secretary provides training
21 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to Con-
22 gress a report on the provision of such training.

23 (f) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—Not later
24 than 180 days after the termination of the one-year period
25 described in subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the

1 United States shall submit to Congress a report on the
 2 training provided under such subsection. The report shall
 3 include the evaluation of the Comptroller General regard-
 4 ing the feasibility and advisability of carrying out off-base
 5 transition training at locations nationwide.

6 **SEC. 7. 100 PERCENT CONTINUOUS LEVY ON PAYMENT TO**
 7 **MEDICARE PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS.**

8 Paragraph (3) of section 6331(h) of the Internal Rev-
 9 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking the period at
 10 the end and inserting “, or, with respect to payments
 11 made during the 5-year period beginning on the date of
 12 the enactment of the Veterans Jobs Corps Act of 2012,
 13 to a Medicare provider or supplier under title XVIII of
 14 the Social Security Act.”.

15 **SEC. 8. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR**
 16 **ULTRA-DEEPWATER AND UNCONVENTIONAL**
 17 **NATURAL GAS AND OTHER PETROLEUM RE-**
 18 **SOURCES.**

19 (a) REPEAL.—Subtitle J of title IX of the Energy
 20 Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16371 et seq.) is repealed.

21 (b) RESCISSION.—The unobligated balances of funds
 22 made available for fiscal year 2012 under section 999H
 23 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16378) (as
 24 it existed before the amendment made by subsection (a))
 25 are rescinded permanently.

1 **SEC. 9. REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF PASSPORT IN CASE OF**
 2 **CERTAIN UNPAID TAXES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter D of chapter 75 of the
 4 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
 5 the end the following new section:

6 **“SEC. 7345. REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF PASSPORT IN CASE**
 7 **OF CERTAIN TAX DELINQUENCIES.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary receives certifi-
 9 cation by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that any
 10 individual has a seriously delinquent tax debt in an
 11 amount in excess of \$50,000, the Secretary shall transmit
 12 such certification to the Secretary of State for action with
 13 respect to denial, revocation, or limitation of a passport
 14 pursuant to section 4 of the Act entitled ‘An Act to regu-
 15 late the issue and validity of passports, and for other pur-
 16 poses’, approved July 3, 1926 (22 U.S.C. 211a et seq.),
 17 commonly known as the ‘Passport Act of 1926’.

18 “(b) SERIOUSLY DELINQUENT TAX DEBT.—For pur-
 19 poses of this section, the term ‘seriously delinquent tax
 20 debt’ means an outstanding debt under this title for which
 21 a notice of lien has been filed in public records pursuant
 22 to section 6323 or a notice of levy has been filed pursuant
 23 to section 6331, except that such term does not include—

24 “(1) a debt that is being paid in a timely man-
 25 ner pursuant to an agreement under section 6159 or
 26 7122, and

1 “(2) a debt with respect to which a collection
2 due process hearing under section 6330, or relief
3 under subsection (b), (c), or (f) of section 6015, is
4 requested or pending.

5 “(c) ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.—In the case of
6 a calendar year beginning after 2012, the dollar amount
7 in subsection (a) shall be increased by an amount equal
8 to—

9 “(1) such dollar amount, multiplied by
10 “(2) the cost-of-living adjustment determined
11 under section 1(f)(3) for the calendar year, deter-
12 mined by substituting ‘calendar year 2011’ for ‘cal-
13 endar year 1992’ in subparagraph (B) thereof.

14 If any amount as adjusted under the preceding sentence
15 is not a multiple of \$1,000, such amount shall be rounded
16 to the next highest multiple of \$1,000.”.

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
18 for subchapter D of chapter 75 of the Internal Revenue
19 Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
20 lowing new item:

“Sec. 7345. Revocation or denial of passport in case of certain tax delin-
quencies.”.

21 (c) AUTHORITY FOR INFORMATION SHARING.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (l) of section
23 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is

1 amended by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraph:

3 “(23) DISCLOSURE OF RETURN INFORMATION
4 TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PURPOSES OF PASS-
5 PORT REVOCATION UNDER SECTION 7345.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall,
7 upon receiving a certification described in sec-
8 tion 7345, disclose to the Secretary of State re-
9 turn information with respect to a taxpayer who
10 has a seriously delinquent tax debt described in
11 such section. Such return information shall be
12 limited to—

13 “(i) the taxpayer identity information
14 with respect to such taxpayer, and

15 “(ii) the amount of such seriously de-
16 linquent tax debt.

17 “(B) RESTRICTION ON DISCLOSURE.—Re-
18 turn information disclosed under subparagraph
19 (A) may be used by officers and employees of
20 the Department of State for the purposes of,
21 and to the extent necessary in, carrying out the
22 requirements of section 4 of the Act entitled
23 ‘An Act to regulate the issue and validity of
24 passports, and for other purposes’, approved

1 July 3, 1926 (22 U.S.C. 211a et seq.), com-
2 monly known as the ‘Passport Act of 1926’.”.

3 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Paragraph (4)
4 of section 6103(p) of the Internal Revenue Code of
5 1986 is amended by striking “or (22)” each place it
6 appears in subparagraph (F)(ii) and in the matter
7 preceding subparagraph (A) and inserting “(22), or
8 (23)”.

9 (d) REVOCATION AUTHORIZATION.—The Act entitled
10 “An Act to regulate the issue and validity of passports,
11 and for other purposes”, approved July 3, 1926 (22
12 U.S.C. 211a et seq.), commonly known as the “Passport
13 Act of 1926”, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
14 lowing:

15 **“SEC. 4. AUTHORITY TO DENY OR REVOKE PASSPORT.**

16 “(a) INELIGIBILITY.—

17 “(1) ISSUANCE.—Except as provided under
18 subsection (b), upon receiving a certification de-
19 scribed in section 7345 of the Internal Revenue
20 Code of 1986 from the Secretary of the Treasury,
21 the Secretary of State may not issue a passport or
22 passport card to any individual who has a seriously
23 delinquent tax debt described in such section.

24 “(2) REVOCATION.—The Secretary of State
25 shall revoke a passport or passport card previously

1 issued to any individual described in subparagraph
2 (A).

3 “(b) EXCEPTIONS.—

4 “(1) EMERGENCY AND HUMANITARIAN SITUA-
5 TIONS.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Sec-
6 retary of State may issue a passport or passport
7 card, in emergency circumstances or for humani-
8 tarian reasons, to an individual described in sub-
9 section (a)(1).

10 “(2) LIMITATION FOR RETURN TO UNITED
11 STATES.—Notwithstanding subsection (a)(2), the
12 Secretary of State, before revocation, may—

13 “(A) limit a previously issued passport or
14 passport card only for return travel to the
15 United States; or

16 “(B) issue a limited passport or passport
17 card that only permits return travel to the
18 United States.”.

19 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
20 this section shall take effect on January 1, 2013.

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