

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 258

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

VETERANS: Requests the administration of President Donald Trump to ensure the passage of the Major Richard Star Act to provide that combat wounded, medically retired service members receive their entitlements

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the administration of President Donald Trump to ensure the passage of
3 the Major Richard Star Act to provide that combat wounded, medically retired
4 service members receive proper entitlements.

5 WHEREAS, approximately fifty thousand service members, including many from
6 Louisiana, were wounded in combat while deployed on behalf of the United States and, as
7 a result of their injuries, were medically retired; and

8 WHEREAS, these veterans were then forced under current law to choose between
9 receiving military retirement pay based upon their time in service or Department of Veterans
10 Affairs disability benefits, resulting in an offset that reduced their total compensation; and

11 WHEREAS, veterans affairs and military retirement come from separate funds and
12 intend to honor two different forms of sacrifice and service; and

13 WHEREAS, the Major Richard Star Act has bipartisan support including five
14 cosponsors from Louisiana.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
16 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the administration of President
17 Donald Trump to ensure the passage of the Major Richard Star Act to provide that combat
18 wounded, medically retired service members receive proper entitlements.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the
2 President of the United States and to each member of the President's cabinet in recognition
3 of the urgent need to support our nation's combat wounded veterans.

DIGEST

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