

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 258

AN ACT

To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraudulent representations about having received military decorations or medals.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Stolen Valor Act of
3 2013”.

4 **SEC. 2. FRAUDULENT REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT RECEIPT**
5 **OF MILITARY DECORATIONS OR MEDALS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 704 of title 18, United
7 States Code, is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “wears,”; and

9 (2) so that subsection (b) reads as follows:

10 “(b) FRAUDULENT REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT RE-
11 CEIPT OF MILITARY DECORATIONS OR MEDALS.—Who-
12 ever, with intent to obtain money, property, or other tan-
13 gible benefit, fraudulently holds oneself out to be a recipi-
14 ent of a decoration or medal described in subsection (c)(2)
15 or (d) shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more
16 than one year, or both.”.

17 (b) ADDITION OF CERTAIN OTHER MEDALS.—Sec-
18 tion 704(d) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

19 (1) by striking “If a decoration” and inserting
20 the following:

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If a decoration”;

22 (2) by inserting “a combat badge,” after “1129
23 of title 10,”; and

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

25 “(2) COMBAT BADGE DEFINED.—In this sub-
26 section, the term ‘combat badge’ means a Combat

1 Infantryman’s Badge, Combat Action Badge, Com-
2 bat Medical Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, or Com-
3 bat Action Medal.”.

4 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 704 of title
5 18, United States Code, is amended in each of subsections
6 (c)(1) and (d) by striking “or (b)”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 20, 2013.

Attest:

Clerk.

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