

113TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. MURRAY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “Social Security and  
5 Marriage Equality Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DETERMINATION OF VALID MARRIAGE UNDER THE**  
7 **SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 216(h)(1)(A)(i) of the So-  
9 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 416(h)(1)(A)(i)) is amended  
10 by striking “is domiciled” and all that follows through

1 “the District of Columbia,” and inserting “and such appli-  
2 cant were married (or, if such insured individual and such  
3 applicant were not married in any State but were validly  
4 married in another jurisdiction, the courts of any State)”.

5 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
6 this section shall apply to all final determinations of family  
7 status made after June 26, 2013.