

Public Law 102-54
102d Congress

An Act

To amend title 38, United States Code, with respect to veterans programs for housing and memorial affairs, and for other purposes.

June 13, 1991
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.

Section 1832(a)(4) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking out subparagraph (C).

SEC. 2. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.

(a) **VENDEE LOANS.**—Section 1833(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking out paragraphs (2) and (3) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(2) After September 30, 1990, the percentage limitations described in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall have no effect.

“(3) The Secretary may, beginning on October 1, 1990, sell any note evidencing a loan referred to in paragraph (1)—

“(A) with recourse; or

“(B) without recourse, but only if the amount received is equal to an amount which is not less than the unpaid balance of such loan.”.

(b) **REPEAL OF TERMINATION DATE.**—Section 1833(a) of such title is amended—

(1) by striking out paragraph (6); and

(2) by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (6).

SEC. 3. EXTENSIONS OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO DEFAULT PROCEDURES AND APPRAISALS.

(a) **DEFAULT PROCEDURES.**—Section 1832(c)(11) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking out “October 1, 1991” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1992”.

(b) **APPRAISALS.**—Section 1831(f)(3) of such title is amended by striking out “October 1, 1990” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1992”.

(c) **REPORT RELATING TO APPRAISAL REVIEW.**—Section 1831(f) of such title is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

“(4) Not later than April 30 of each year following a year in which the Secretary authorizes lenders to determine reasonable value of property under this subsection, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report relating to the exercise of that authority during the year in which the authority was exercised.

“(5) A report submitted pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection shall include, for the period covered by each report—

“(A) the number and value of loans made by lenders exercising the authority of this subsection;

“(B) the number and value of such loans reviewed by the appraisal-review monitors referred to in paragraph (2) of this subsection;

“(C) the number and value of loans made under this subsection of which the Secretary received notification of default;

“(D) the amount of guaranty paid by the Secretary to such lenders by reason of defaults on loans as to which reasonable value was determined under this subsection; and

“(E) such recommendations as the Secretary considers appropriate to improve the exercise of the authority provided for in this subsection and to protect the interests of the United States.”.

SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION.

(a) CERTIFICATION.—Section 1820 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) The Secretary shall, at the request of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and without reimbursement, certify to such Secretary whether an applicant for assistance under any law administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development is a veteran.”.

(b) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Section 1803 of such title is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) The application for or obtaining of a loan made, insured, or guaranteed under this chapter shall not be subject to reporting requirements applicable to requests for, or receipts of, Federal contracts, grants, loans, loan guarantees, loan insurance, or cooperative agreements except to the extent that such requirements are provided for in, or by the Secretary pursuant to, this title.”.

SEC. 5. WAIVER OF INDEBTEDNESS.

38 USC 5302.

Section 3102 of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The Secretary shall include in the notification to the payee a statement of the right of the payee to submit an application for a waiver under this subsection and a description of the procedures for submitting the application.”; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking out “101 and 1801” and inserting in lieu thereof, “101, 1801, and 1802(a)(2)(C)(ii) of this title”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following: “An application for relief under this subsection must be made within one year after the date on which the veteran receives notice by certified mail from the Secretary of the indebtedness. The Secretary shall include in the notification a statement of the right of the veteran to submit an application for a waiver under this subsection and a description of the procedures for submitting the application.”.

SEC. 6. ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT.

Section 1803(a)(1)(A)(i) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subclause (III)—

(A) by inserting “except as provided in subclause (IV) of this clause,” after “(III)”; and

(B) by striking out “but not more than \$144,000.”; and

(2) in subclause (IV), by striking out “or (6)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(6), or (8)”.

SEC. 7. DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM OF COMPENSATED WORK THERAPY AND THERAPEUTIC TRANSITIONAL HOUSING. 38 USC 618 note.

(a) **DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**—During fiscal years 1992 through 1994, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may carry out a compensated work therapy and therapeutic transitional housing demonstration program. The demonstration program shall have two components, as follows:

(1) A component, under subsection (c), which provides for direct operation of therapeutic transitional housing in conjunction with the furnishing of compensated work therapy.

(2) A component, under subsection (d), which provides for the contracting with nonprofit corporations to furnish compensated work therapy in conjunction with the operation of the therapeutic transitional housing.

(b) **ELIGIBLE VETERANS.**—The veterans for whom therapeutic transitional housing may be provided under this section are veterans—

(1) who are furnishing services to the Department of Veterans Affairs under subsection (a) of section 618 of title 38, United States Code; or

(2) who are furnished therapeutic work pursuant to subsection (b) of that section.

(c) **AUTHORITY TO OPERATE RESIDENCES AS THERAPEUTIC TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.**—Under the demonstration program, the Secretary, in connection with the conduct of compensated work therapy programs, may operate residences as therapeutic transitional housing solely for veterans described in subsection (b) of this section. The Secretary may operate no more than 50 residences as therapeutic transitional housing under this subsection.

(d) **CONTRACT AUTHORITY.**—(1) Under the demonstration program, the Secretary may contract with nonprofit corporations to conduct compensated work therapy programs under the demonstration program.

(2) The Secretary may enter into a contract with a nonprofit corporation under the demonstration program only if the corporation provides assurances satisfactory to the Secretary that it will operate therapeutic transitional housing for eligible veterans in conjunction with an existing compensated work therapy program at a medical center. The contract may remain in effect only as long as the corporation operates the therapeutic transitional housing for eligible veterans in connection with the demonstration program.

(3) A contract with a nonprofit corporation under this subsection may provide for the Secretary to furnish the corporation (with or without consideration) in-kind services, including—

(A) technical and clinical advice;

(B) supervision of the activities of compensated work therapy participants in the rehabilitation of any property for use as therapeutic transitional housing under the contract and for possible later sale as a private residence; and

(C) minor maintenance of and minor repairs to such property.

(e) **PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES.**—The Secretary may use such procurement procedures for the purchase, lease, or other acquisition of residential housing for purposes of this section as the Secretary considers appropriate to expedite the opening and operation of

transitional housing and to protect the interests of the United States.

(f) **CONDITIONS.**—A residence may be operated as transitional housing for veterans described in subsection (b) under the following conditions:

(1) Only veterans described in such subsection and a house manager may reside in the residence.

(2) Each resident, other than the house manager, shall pay rent for the period of residence in such housing.

(3) In the establishment and operation of housing under this section, the Secretary shall consult with appropriate representatives of the community in which the housing is established and shall comply with zoning requirements, building permit requirements, and other similar requirements applicable to other real property used for similar purposes in the community.

(4) The residence shall meet State and community fire and safety requirements applicable to other real property used for similar purposes in the community in which the transitional housing is located, but fire and safety requirements applicable to buildings of the Federal Government shall not apply to such property.

(g) **HOUSE MANAGERS.**—The Secretary shall prescribe the qualifications for house managers for transitional housing units operated under this section. The Secretary may provide for free room and subsistence for house managers in addition to, or instead of payment of, a fee for such services.

(h) **SOURCES OF HOUSING.**—(1) The Secretary may operate as transitional housing under this section—

(A) any suitable residential property acquired by the Secretary as the result of a default on a loan made, guaranteed, or insured under chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code; and

(B) any other suitable residential property purchased, leased, or otherwise acquired by the Secretary.

(2) In the case of any property referred to in paragraph (1)(A), the Secretary shall—

(A) transfer administrative jurisdiction over such property within the Department from the Veterans Benefits Administration to the Veterans Health Services and Research Administration; and

(B) transfer from the General Post Fund of the Department of Veterans Affairs to the Loan Guaranty Revolving Fund under chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code, an amount, not to exceed the amount the Secretary paid for the property, representing the amount the Secretary considers could be obtained by sale of such property to a nonprofit organization or a State for use as a shelter for homeless veterans.

(3) In the case of any residential property obtained by the Secretary from the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this section, the amount paid by the Secretary to that Department for that property may not exceed the amount that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development would charge for the sale of that property to a nonprofit organization or a State for use as a shelter for homeless persons. Funds for such charge shall be derived from the General Post Fund.

(i) **RENT AND LENGTH OF RESIDENCE.**—The Secretary shall prescribe—

(1) a procedure for establishing reasonable rental rates for persons residing in transitional housing; and

(2) appropriate limits on the period for which such persons may reside in transitional housing.

(j) **DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY.**—The Secretary may dispose of any property acquired for the purpose of this section. The proceeds of any such disposal shall be credited to the General Post Fund of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(k) **AVAILABILITY OF GENERAL POST FUND.**—Funds received by the Department under this section shall be deposited in the General Post Fund. The Secretary may distribute out of the fund such amounts as necessary for the acquisition, management, maintenance, and disposition of real property for the purpose of carrying out such program. The operation of the demonstration program and funds received shall be separately accounted for, and shall be stated in the documents accompanying the President's budget for each fiscal year.

(l) **REPORT.**—After a demonstration program under this section has been in effect for two years, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on the operation of the program. The Secretary shall include in the report such recommendations with regard to the program as the Secretary considers appropriate.

SEC. 8. LOANS TO ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSERS.

38 USC 620A
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(a) **LOAN PROGRAM.**—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may make loans in accordance with this section to assist in the provision of transitional housing exclusively to veterans who are in (or who recently have been in) a program for the treatment of substance abuse.

(b) **LOAN RECIPIENTS.**—A loan under this section may only be made to a nonprofit organization under selection criteria promulgated by the Secretary and only to assist that organization in leasing housing units for use as a group residence for the purposes described in subsection (a). The amount of such a loan that is used with respect to any single residential unit may not exceed \$4,500. In making loans under this subsection, the Secretary shall, except to the extent that the Secretary determines that it is infeasible to do so, ensure that—

(1) each loan is repaid within two years after the date on which the loan is made;

(2) each loan is repaid through monthly installments and that a reasonable penalty is assessed for each failure to pay an installment by the date specified in the loan agreement involved; and

(3) each loan is made only to a nonprofit private entity which agrees that, in the operation of each residence established with the assistance of the loan—

(A) the use of alcohol or any illegal drug in the residence will be prohibited;

(B) any resident who violates the prohibition in subclause (A) of this clause will be expelled from the residence;

(C) the costs of maintaining the residence, including fees for rent and utilities, will be paid by the residents;

(D) the residents will, through a majority vote of the residents, otherwise establish policies governing the condi-

tions of residence, including the manner in which applications for residence are approved; and

(E) the residence will be operated solely as a residence for not less than six veterans.

(c) **FUNDING.**—Loans under this section shall be made from the special account of the General Post Fund of the Department of Veterans Affairs established for purposes of this section. The amount of such loans outstanding at any time may not exceed \$100,000. Amounts received as payment of principal and interest on such loans shall be deposited in that account. The operation of the loan program under this section shall be separately accounted for, and shall be separately stated in the documents accompanying the President's budget for each fiscal year.

(d) **TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**—Loans under this section shall be made on such terms and conditions, including interest, as the Secretary prescribes.

(e) **REPORT.**—After the end of the 15-month period beginning on the date the first loan is extended under this section, the Secretary shall issue a report on the Department's experience under the section. The report shall include the following information:

- (1) The default rate on loans extended under this section.
- (2) The manner in which loan payments are collected.
- (3) The number of facilities at which loans have been extended.
- (4) The adequacy of the amount of funds in the special account referred to in subsection (c).

SEC. 9. HOUSING PROGRAMS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subchapter III of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 1835. Housing assistance for homeless veterans

“(a)(1) To assist homeless veterans and their families in acquiring shelter, the Secretary may enter into agreements described in paragraph (2) with—

“(A) nonprofit organizations, with preference being given to any organization named in, or approved by the Secretary under, section 3402 of this title; or

“(B) any State or any political subdivision thereof.

“(2) To carry out paragraph (1), the Secretary may enter into agreements to sell real property, and improvements thereon, acquired by the Secretary as the result of a default on a loan made, insured, or guaranteed under this chapter. Such sale shall be for such consideration as the Secretary determines is in the best interests of homeless veterans and the Federal Government.

“(3) The Secretary may enter into an agreement under paragraph (1) of this subsection only if—

“(A) the Secretary determines that such an action will not adversely affect the ability of the Department—

“(i) to fulfill its statutory missions with respect to the Department loan guaranty program and the short- and long-term solvency of the Loan Guaranty Revolving Fund and the Guaranty and Indemnity Fund under this chapter; or

“(ii) to carry out other functions and administer other programs authorized by law;

“(B) the entity to which the property is sold agrees to—

“(i) utilize the property solely as a shelter primarily for homeless veterans and their families,

“(ii) comply with all zoning laws relating to the property,

“(iii) make no use of the property that is not compatible with the area where the property is located, and

“(iv) take such other actions as the Secretary determines are necessary or appropriate in the best interests of homeless veterans and the Federal Government; and

“(C) the Secretary determines that there is no significant likelihood of the property being sold for a price sufficient to reduce the liability of the Department or the veteran who defaulted on the loan.

“(4) Any agreement, deed, or other instrument executed by the Secretary under this subsection shall be on such terms and conditions as the Secretary determines to be appropriate and necessary to carry out the purpose of such agreement.

“(b) The Secretary may not enter into agreements under subsection (a) after September 30, 1993.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end of the items relating to subchapter III the following new item:

“1835. Housing assistance for homeless veterans.”

SEC. 10. AUTHORIZED SOURCES FOR PROVISION OF THERAPEUTIC WORK IN COMPENSATED WORK THERAPY PROGRAM.

(a) AUTHORIZED SOURCES.—Subsection (b)(1) of section 618 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking out “contractual arrangements with private industry or other sources outside the Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “a contract or other arrangement with any appropriate source (whether or not an element of the Department of Veterans Affairs or of any other Federal entity)”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (c)(1) of such section is amended by striking out “carrying out the provisions of” and inserting in lieu thereof “furnishing rehabilitative services authorized in”.

SEC. 11. FLORIDA NATIONAL CEMETERY.

Notwithstanding section 1004(c)(2) of title 38, United States Code, the Secretary may provide for flat grave markers in that section of the Florida National Cemetery in which preplaced grave liners were installed before July 30, 1988.

38 USC 1004
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SEC. 12. AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO CARRY OUT SPECIFIED ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION.

(a) AUTHORITY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may carry out the administrative reorganization described in subsection (b) without regard to section 210(b)(2) of title 38, United States Code.

(b) SPECIFIED REORGANIZATION.—Subsection (a) applies to the organizational realignment of management responsibility for the Department of Veterans Affairs Data Processing Centers, together with the corresponding organizational realignment of associated Information Resources Management operational components and functions within the Department of Veterans Affairs central office, as such realignment was described in the detailed plan and justification submitted by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in January 4,

38 USC 210 note.

1991, letters to the Chairmen of the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

SEC. 13. AMENDMENTS TO LAWS TO REFLECT THE CONVERSION OF THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

(a) **LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 2, U.S.C.**—Section 255 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 905) is amended by striking out the last two items in subsection (g)(2) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“Department of Veterans Affairs, Loan guaranty revolving fund (36-4025-0-3-704); and

“Department of Veterans Affairs, Servicemen's group life insurance fund (36-4009-0-3-701).”

(b) **TITLE 5, U.S.C.**—

(1) The following sections of title 5, United States Code, are amended by striking out “Veterans' Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”: sections 2108(2), 5102(c)(14), 5342(a)(2)(C), 7103(a)(3), 8101(20), 8116(a)(3), 8311(2)(A), and 8311(3)(A).

(2) The following sections of such title are amended by striking out “Department of Medicine and Surgery, Veterans' Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs”: sections 4301(2)(C), 5102(c)(3), and 6301(2)(B)(v).

(3) Section 5355 of such title is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans' Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(4) Section 8339(g) of such title is amended by striking out “Veterans' Administration pension or compensation” in the second and third sentences and inserting in lieu thereof “pension or compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(5) Section 8347(m)(2) of such title is amended by striking out “Administrator” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary”.

(6) Section 503 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1987 (5 U.S.C. 7301 note), is amended by striking out “Veterans' Administration” in subsection (a)(2)(I) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(c) **LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 7, U.S.C.**—Section 202 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7 U.S.C. 1446a) is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans' Affairs” in the matter preceding subsection (a), in subsection (a), and in subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(d) **LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 12, U.S.C.**—

(1) Section 912 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1709-2) is amended by striking out “Veterans' Administration” both places it appears in paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(2) The National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) is amended—

(A) by striking out “Veterans' Administration” in subsection (c)(2)(D) of section 302 (12 U.S.C. 1717) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”; and

(B) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans' Affairs” in section 512 (12 U.S.C. 1731a) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(3) Section 107 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1735g) is amended—

(A) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” in subsection (a)(2)(B) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(B) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” both places it appears in subsection (e) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(4) Section 8 of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 (12 U.S.C. 2607) is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” in subsection (c)(5) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(e) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 15, U.S.C.—Section 718 of the Business Opportunity Development Reform Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-656; 15 U.S.C. 644 note) is amended by striking out “Veterans Administration” in subsection (b)(10) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(f) TITLE 18, U.S.C.—

(1) Section 289 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(2) Section 1114 of such title is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(g) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 20, U.S.C.—The Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(1) The following provisions are amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(E) of section 131 (20 U.S.C. 1017).

(B) Subsection (d)(1)(C) of section 411B (20 U.S.C. 1070a-2).

(C) Subsection (c)(1)(C) of section 411C (20 U.S.C. 1070a-3).

(D) Subsection (c)(1)(C) of section 411D (20 U.S.C. 1070a-4).

(2) Section 420A (20 U.S.C. 1070e-1) is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”;

(B) in subsection (c)(2)—

(i) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Administrator’)” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(ii) by striking out “Administrator” each of the three succeeding places in which it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(C) in subsection (d), by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and “the Administrator” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs” in both instances.

(h) REFERENCES IN TITLE 22, U.S.C.—

(1) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 22.—Section 106 of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2456) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (a)(1) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(2) REFERENCE PURSUANT TO LAW CODIFIED IN TITLE 22.—Any reference to the Veterans’ Administration in any regulation prescribed or Executive order issued pursuant to section 827(a)

22 USC 4067
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of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4067(a)) shall be deemed to be a reference to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(i) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 24, U.S.C.—

(1) The Naval Appropriation Act, 1946 (59 Stat. 201 et seq.), is amended in the first proviso in the fourth paragraph under the heading "BUREAU OF SUPPLIES AND ACCOUNTS" (24 U.S.C. 16a; 59 Stat. 208) by striking out "United States Veterans Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".

(2) Section 2 of the Act of March 22, 1906 (24 U.S.C. 152), is amended—

(A) by striking out "Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and

(B) by striking out "as they may deem necessary" and inserting in lieu thereof "as the Secretary may consider necessary".

(j) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 25, U.S.C.—

(1) The Act of February 25, 1933 (25 U.S.C. 14), is amended—

(A) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs"; and

(B) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(2) Section 716 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1680f) is amended—

(A) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs" in each of the following subsections: subsections (a), (b)(3), (b)(4), (b)(6), (c)(1)(A), and (c)(1)(B);

(B) in subsection (c)(1), by striking out "Within 30 days" and all that follows through "directed to" and inserting in lieu thereof "Not later than December 23, 1988, the Director of the Indian Health Service and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall"; and

(C) in subsection (c)(2), by striking out "Not later than" and all that follows through "shall" and inserting in lieu thereof "Not later than November 23, 1990, the Secretary and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall".

(k) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 29, U.S.C.—

(1) The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 701 et seq.) is amended—

(A) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in the following provisions and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs": subsection (a)(11) of section 101 (29 U.S.C. 721), subsection (i)(2) of section 202 (29 U.S.C. 761a), and subsection (a)(1)(B)(ix) of section 502 (29 U.S.C. 792); and

(B) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" in the following provisions and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs": subsection (a)(1) of section 203 (29 U.S.C. 761b) and subsection (a) of section 501 (29 U.S.C. 791).

(2) The Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) is amended—

- (A) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in paragraph (27)(B) of section 4 (29 U.S.C. 1503) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs";
- (B) by striking out "Veterans' Administration programs" in subsection (c)(10) of section 121 (29 U.S.C. 1531) and inserting in lieu thereof "programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (C) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" in subsection (b)(2)(B) of section 441 (29 U.S.C. 1721) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (1) TITLE 31, U.S.C.—Title 31, United States Code, is amended as follows:
- (1) Paragraphs (45), (74), (82), and (83) of section 1321(a) are amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".
- (2) Section 3329(c)(1) is amended—
- (A) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (B) by striking out "laws carried out by the Administrator" and inserting in lieu thereof "laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (3) Section 3330 is amended—
- (A) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" in subsection (a)(1)(B) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs";
- (B) by striking out "Administrator" in subsections (a)(2), (a)(3), and (d)(1)(A) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (C) by striking out "laws carried out by the Administrator" in subsections (b) and (c) and inserting in lieu thereof "laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (4)(A) The heading of section 3330 is amended to read as follows:
- "§ 3330. Payment of Department of Veterans Affairs checks for the benefit of individuals in foreign countries".**
- (B) The item relating to section 3330 in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 33 is amended to read as follows:
- "3330. Payment of Department of Veterans Affairs checks for the benefit of individuals in foreign countries."
- (m) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 33, U.S.C.—
- (1) Section 9 of the Coast and Geodetic Survey Commissioned Officers' Act of 1948 (33 U.S.C. 853h) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (e)(2) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (2) The second sentence of the second paragraph of section 16 of the Act of May 22, 1917 (33 U.S.C. 857) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (3) Section 3 of Public Law 91-621 (33 U.S.C. 857-3) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (a)(1) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(n) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 36, U.S.C.—

(1) The Act of July 23, 1947 (36 U.S.C. 67 et seq.) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in section 3(2) (36 U.S.C. 67b(2)) and in section 9 (36 U.S.C. 67h) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(2) Section 3 of the Act of June 17, 1932 (36 U.S.C. 90c) is amended by striking out “United States Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(3) Section 3 of Public Law 85-761 (36 U.S.C. 823) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (b)(5) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(4) Section 15 of Public Law 85-769 (36 U.S.C. 865) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(5) Section 9 of Public Law 92-93 (36 U.S.C. 1159) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(6) Section 3(d) of Public Law 98-314 (36 U.S.C. 2403(d)) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(7) Section 3 of Public Law 98-584 (36 U.S.C. 3103) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration Hospitals” in paragraph (3) and inserting in lieu thereof “medical facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(8) Section 3 of Public Law 99-172 (36 U.S.C. 3703) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in paragraph (5) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(o) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 40, U.S.C.—Section 13 of the Public Buildings Act of 1959 (40 U.S.C. 612) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration installations” in paragraph (1)(H) and inserting in lieu thereof “installations of the Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(p) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 41, U.S.C.—The first section of the Act of June 25, 1938 (41 U.S.C. 46), commonly referred to as the “Wagner-O’Day Act”, is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (a)(1) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(q) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 42, U.S.C.—

(1) PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT.—The Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(A) The following provisions are amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”:

(i) Subsection (k)(4)(C) of section 306 (42 U.S.C. 242k).

(ii) Subsection (e)(1) of section 544 (42 U.S.C. 290dd-3).

(iii) Subsection (e)(1) of section 548 (42 U.S.C. 290ee-3).

(B) The following provisions are amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”:

(i) Subsection (c) of section 341 (42 U.S.C. 257).

(ii) Subsection (g) of section 548 (42 U.S.C. 290ee-3).

(C) Section 212 (42 U.S.C. 213) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (d) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(D) Subsection (a)(2)(B) of section 314 (42 U.S.C. 246) is amended—

(i) by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”;

(ii) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(iii) by striking out “such Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “such Department”.

(E) Section 485 (42 U.S.C. 287c-2) is amended by striking out “Chief Nursing Officer of the Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (b)(2)(A) and inserting in lieu thereof “chief nursing officer of the Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(2) SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1986.—Section 109(c) of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 300g-6 note) is amended by striking out “the Administrator of the Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “the Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(3) SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—The Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(A) The following provisions are amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”:

(i) Subsections (a)(1)(B) and (e)(1)(B) of section 217 (42 U.S.C. 417).

(ii) Subsection (b)(5)(A) of section 1128 (42 U.S.C. 1320a-7).

(iii) Subsection (h)(1) of section 1814 (42 U.S.C. 1395f).

(iv) The heading of subsection (h) of section 1814.

(v) Subsection (a)(5)(F) of section 1928 (42 U.S.C. 1396s).

(B) The following provisions are amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”:

(i) Subsection (h)(2) of section 228 (42 U.S.C. 428).

(ii) Subsection (f)(2) of section 462 (42 U.S.C. 662).

(iii) Subsection (a)(1) of section 1133 (42 U.S.C. 1320b-3).

(iv) Subsection (h)(2) of section 1814 (42 U.S.C. 1395f).

(C) Subparagraph (D) of section 202(t)(4) (42 U.S.C. 402(t)(4)) is amended—

(i) by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(ii) by striking out “if the Administrator” both places it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

(D) Subsection (b)(1) of section 217 (42 U.S.C. 417) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration to be payable by it” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs to be payable by him”.

(E) Subsection (b)(2) of section 217 (42 U.S.C. 417) is amended—

(i) in the first sentence—

- (I) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" the first place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (II) by striking out "the Veterans' Administration" the second place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "that Secretary";
- (ii) in the second sentence, by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs";
- (iii) in the third sentence—
- (I) by striking out "If the Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "If the Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (II) by striking out "it shall" and inserting in lieu thereof "the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall";
- (iv) in the fourth sentence—
- (I) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (II) by striking out "such Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "that Secretary"; and
- (v) in the fifth sentence, by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (F) Subsection (a)(1)(L) of section 1866 (42 U.S.C. 1395cc) is amended by striking out "Administrator of Veterans Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (4) **OMNIBUS RECONCILIATION ACT OF 1980.**—Section 966 of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 632a) is amended—
- (A) in subsection (c)(6)—
- (i) by striking out "Veterans' Administration" both places it appears and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (ii) by striking out "Administrator of Veterans Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (B) in subsection (e)(1), by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".
- (5) **HOUSING ACT OF 1949.**—Section 535 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490o) is amended—
- (A) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking out "Administrator of Veterans Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs"; and
- (B) in subsection (c), by striking out "Veterans' Administration" and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".
- (6) **LANHAM PUBLIC WAR HOUSING ACT.**—The Act of October 14, 1940 (42 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.), popularly known as the "Lanham Public War Housing Act", is amended as follows:
- (A) Section 601 (42 U.S.C. 1581) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" each place it appears in subsection (d)(1) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(B) Section 607 (42 U.S.C. 1587) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(7) DEFENSE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES ACT OF 1951.—The Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951 is amended as follows:

(A) Section 302 (42 U.S.C. 1592a) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsections (a) and (c) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(B) Section 315(h) (42 U.S.C. 1592n(h)) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in the last sentence and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(8) PUBLIC LAW 87-693.—The first section of Public Law 87-693 (42 U.S.C. 2651) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".

(9) OLDER AMERICANS ACT OF 1965.—The Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 207 (42 U.S.C. 3018) is amended by striking out "Administrator of the Veterans' Administration" in subsection (b)(3)(D) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(B) Section 301 (42 U.S.C. 3021) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (b)(2) and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".

(C) Section 402 (42 U.S.C. 3030bb) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".

(10) HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENTS OF 1978.—Section 905 of the Housing and Community Development Amendments of 1978 (42 U.S.C. 3541) is amended by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" each place it appears in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(11) NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY, ORGANIZATION, AND PRIORITIES ACT OF 1976.—Section 401 of the National Science and Technology Policy, Organization, and Priorities Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 6651) is amended by striking out "Veterans' Administration" in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "Department of Veterans Affairs".

(12) NATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICY ACT.—Section 253 of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8232) is amended by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" in subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(13) CONSUMER-PATIENT RADIATION HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT OF 1981.—The Consumer-Patient Radiation Health and Safety Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 10001 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 979 (42 U.S.C. 10004) is amended by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" in subsections (a) and (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(B) Section 982 (42 U.S.C. 10007) is amended by striking out "Administrator of Veterans' Affairs" and inserting in lieu thereof "Secretary of Veterans Affairs".

(C) Section 983(b) (42 U.S.C. 10008(b))—

(i) by striking out “(1) The Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and all that follows through “subtitle 38” and inserting in lieu thereof “The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, through the Chief Medical Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs, shall, to the maximum extent feasible consistent with the responsibilities of such Secretary and Chief Medical Director under title 38”;

(ii) by striking out “over which the Administrator” and inserting in lieu thereof “over which that Secretary”;

(iii) by striking out “Administrator” both places it appears in the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”; and

(iv) by striking out paragraphs (2) and (3).

(14) ALZHEIMERS’S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS SERVICES RESEARCH ACT OF 1986.—The Alzheimers’s Disease and Related Dementias Services Research Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. 11201 et seq.) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 911 (42 U.S.C. 11211) is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs (or the designee of such Administrator)” in subsection (a)(11) and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs (or the designee of such Secretary)”.

(B) Section 934 (42 U.S.C. 11261) is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration” in subsection (b)(1)(A) and inserting in lieu thereof “Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(r) TITLE 44, U.S.C.—The text of section 503 of title 44, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(a) Notwithstanding section 501 of this title, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may use the equipment described in subsection (b) for printing and binding that the Secretary finds advisable for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

“(b) The equipment referred to in subsection (a) is the printing and binding equipment that the various hospitals and homes of the Department of Veterans Affairs use for occupational therapy.”.

(s) TITLE 49, U.S.C.—Section 10723 of title 49, United States Code, is amended by striking out “Veterans’ Administration facility” in subsection (a)(1)(B)(i) and inserting in lieu thereof “facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs”.

(t) LAWS CODIFIED IN TITLE 50, U.S.C. APPENDIX.—Section 11 of the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 461) is amended by striking out “Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Veterans Affairs”.

SEC. 14. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.

(a) CHAPTERS 1 AND 3 OF TITLE 38.—Part I of title 38, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Section 101(21)(C) is amended by redesignating subclauses (a), (b), and (c) of clause (ii) as subclauses (I), (II), and (III), respectively.

(2) Section 102 is amended by striking out “(C)” before “For the purposes of” and inserting in lieu thereof “(c)”.

(b) CHAPTERS 11 THROUGH 24 OF TITLE 38.—Part II of such title is amended as follows:

(1) Section 354 is amended—

- (A) by inserting a comma in the section heading after “place”; and
- (B) by inserting “(Public Law 98-542; 98 Stat. 2727)” in subsection (a) before the period at the end.
- (2) Section 402(d) is amended by striking out “Secretary of the Department” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of the department”.
- (3) Section 412(a) is amended by striking out “201” and inserting in lieu thereof “401”.
- (4) Section 423 is amended—
- (A) by striking out “or section 321(b) of title 32,” in the first sentence; and
- (B) by striking out “1476(a) or 321(b)” in the second sentence.
- (5) Section 503(a) is amended—
- (A) in paragraph (8), by striking out “per centum” and inserting in lieu thereof “percent”; and
- (B) in paragraph (10)(A)—
- (i) by striking out “Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (26 U.S.C. 6012(a))” and inserting in lieu thereof “Internal Revenue Code of 1986”; and
- (ii) by striking out “section 143” and inserting in lieu thereof “section 7703”.
- (6) Section 508(b) is amended by striking out “per centum” and inserting in lieu thereof “percent”.
- (7) Sections 532(a) and 534(a) are amended—
- (A) by striking out the semicolon at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting in lieu thereof a period; and
- (B) by striking out the matter following paragraph (2).
- (8) Section 601 is amended—
- (A) in paragraph (2), by striking out “any veteran of the Indian Wars, or”;
- (B) by striking out paragraph (3);
- (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3);
- (D) in paragraph (6)—
- (i) by striking out “section 612(f)(1)(A)(i)” in subparagraph (A)(i) and inserting in lieu thereof “section 612(a)(5)(A)”; and
- (ii) by striking out “section 612(f)(1)(A)(ii)” in subparagraph (B)(i)(II) and inserting in lieu thereof “section 612(a)(5)(B)”; and
- (E) by transferring paragraph (9) within such section so as to appear before paragraph (5) and redesignating such paragraph as paragraph (4).
- (9) Section 603 is amended—
- (A) by striking out “section” before “paragraph” in subsection (a)(2)(B);
- (B) by striking out “section 612(b)(1)(G)” in subsection (a)(7) and inserting in lieu thereof “section 612(b)(1)(F)”; and
- (C) by inserting “(Public Law 100-322; 102 Stat. 501)” in subsection (c) before the period at the end.
- (10) Section 610(a)(1)(H) is amended by striking out “the Spanish-American War, the Mexican border period,” and inserting in lieu thereof “the Mexican border period”.
- (11) Section 612A(b)(1) is amended by striking out “paragraph (1)(A)(ii) of section 612(f)” and inserting in lieu thereof “section 612(a)(5)(B)”.

(12) Section 618(c)(3) is amended by inserting "and" after "productivity".

(13) Section 620A(f)(1) is amended by striking out "during the period" before "beginning on".

(14) Section 628(a)(2)(D) is amended by striking out "is (i)" and inserting in lieu thereof "(i) is".

(15) Section 630(a) is amended—

(A) by striking out "(1)" after "(a)"; and

(B) by redesignating subparagraph (A), clause (i), clause (ii), and subparagraph (B) as paragraph (1), subparagraph (A), subparagraph (B), and paragraph (2), respectively.

(16) Section 765 is amended—

(A) in paragraph (4), by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) as clauses (A) and (B), respectively; and

(B) in each of paragraphs (8) and (9), by redesignating clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) as clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E), respectively.

(17) Section 770(g) is amended by striking out "the Internal Revenue Code of 1954" in clause (2) of the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof "the Internal Revenue Code of 1986".

(18) The text of section 774 is amended to read as follows:

"(a) There is an Advisory Council on Servicemen's Group Life Insurance. The council consists of—

"(1) the Secretary of the Treasury, who is the chairman of the council;

"(2) the Secretary of Defense;

"(3) the Secretary of Commerce;

"(4) the Secretary of Health and Human Services;

"(5) the Secretary of Transportation; and

"(6) the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Members of the council shall serve without additional compensation.

"(b) The council shall meet at least once a year, or more often at the call of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. The council shall review the operations of the Department under this subchapter and shall advise the Secretary on matters of policy relating to the Secretary's activities under this subchapter."

(19) Section 783 is amended by striking out "section 14 of title 25," and inserting in lieu thereof "the Act of February 25, 1933 (25 U.S.C. 14)."

(20) Section 901(d) is amended—

(A) by striking out "deems" and inserting in lieu thereof "considers";

(B) by striking out the comma after "this section"; and

(C) by striking out ", United States Code".

(21) Section 1004(c)(2)(B) is amended by striking out "the date of the enactment of the Veterans' Benefits Improvement and Health-Care Authorization Act of 1986" and inserting in lieu thereof "October 28, 1986".

(22) Section 1010(b) is amended by striking out "the military departments" and inserting in lieu thereof "each military department".

(c) CHAPTERS 30 THROUGH 43 OF TITLE 38.—Part III of such title is amended as follows:

(1) Section 1415(c) is amended by striking out "the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal

Years 1990 and 1991,” and inserting in lieu thereof “November 29, 1989.”

(2) The item relating to section 1423 in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 30 is amended by striking out “chapter” and inserting in lieu thereof “subchapter”.

(3) Section 1504(b) is amended by striking out “(29 U.S.C. 796)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(29 U.S.C. 796a)”.

(4) Section 1517(a) is amended—

(A) by inserting “(29 U.S.C. 701 et seq.)” in paragraph (1) after “the Rehabilitation Act of 1973”; and

(B) by striking out the second period at the end of paragraph (2)(C).

(5) Section 1521(a)(3) is amended by inserting “and Training” after “Veterans’ Employment”.

(6) Section 1602(1)(A) is amended by inserting a comma after “January 1, 1977” the last place it appears.

(7) Section 1792(a) is amended by inserting “and Training” after “Veterans’ Employment”.

(8) Section 1812 is amended—

(A) in subsection (c)(5), by striking out “under this section” and inserting in lieu thereof “for purposes specified in this section”; and

(B) in subsection (1), by striking out “, beginning 12 months following October 23, 1970.”.

(9) Section 2011(2)(B) is amended by inserting a comma before “except for”.

(10) Section 2013 is amended by striking out “the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act” and inserting in lieu thereof “the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.)”.

(d) CHAPTERS 51 THROUGH 61 OF TITLE 38.—Part IV of such title (as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health-Care Personnel Act of 1991) is amended as follows:

(1) Section 3004 is amended—

38 USC 5104.

(A) by striking out “(1)” after “(a)”;

(B) by striking out “(2)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(b)”;

(C) by striking out “paragraph (1) of this subsection” and inserting in lieu thereof “subsection (a)”;

(D) by striking out “(A)” and “(B)” and inserting in lieu thereof “(1)” and “(2)”, respectively.

(2) Section 3101(d) is amended by striking out “the Internal Revenue Code of 1954” and inserting in lieu thereof “the Internal Revenue Code of 1986”.

38 USC 5301.

(3) Section 3116 is amended—

38 USC 5316.

(A) by striking out “Within ninety days after the date of the enactment of this section, the” in subsection (a)(1) and inserting in lieu thereof “The”;

(B) by striking out subsection (b); and

(C) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection (b).

(4) Section 3305 is amended—

38 USC 5705.

(A) in subsection (c), by striking out “the date of the enactment of this section,” in paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting in lieu thereof “October 7, 1980,”; and

(B) in subsection (d)—

(i) in the first sentence of paragraph (1), by striking out "Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the" and inserting in lieu thereof "The";

(ii) in the second sentence of paragraph (1), by striking out "such enactment date" and inserting in lieu thereof "October 7, 1980,";

(iii) in the third sentence of paragraph (1)—

(I) by striking out "existing"; and

(II) by inserting "in existence on October 7, 1980" after "such programs"; and

(iv) in paragraph (2), by striking out "After the date on which such regulations are first prescribed, no activity shall be considered" and inserting in lieu thereof "An activity may not be considered".

38 USC 5711.

(5)(A) Section 3311 is amended to read as follows:

"§ 3311. Authority to issue subpoenas

"(a) For the purposes of the laws administered by the Secretary, the Secretary, and those employees to whom the Secretary may delegate such authority, to the extent of the authority so delegated, shall have the power to—

"(1) issue subpoenas for and compel the attendance of witnesses within a radius of 100 miles from the place of hearing;

"(2) require the production of books, papers, documents, and other evidence;

"(3) take affidavits and administer oaths and affirmations;

"(4) aid claimants in the preparation and presentation of claims; and

"(5) make investigations and examine witnesses upon any matter within the jurisdiction of the Department.

"(b) Any person required by such subpoena to attend as a witness shall be allowed and paid the same fees and mileage as are paid witnesses in the district courts of the United States."

(B) The item relating to such section in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 57 is amended to read as follows:

"3311. Authority to issue subpoenas."

38 USC 5713.

(6)(A) Section 3313 is amended by striking out "subpena" both places it appears in the text and inserting in lieu "subpoena".

(B) The heading of such section is amended to read as follows:

"§ 3313. Disobedience to subpoena".

(C) The item relating to such section in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 57 is amended to read as follows:

"3313. Disobedience to subpoena."

38 USC 6101,
6102.

(7) Sections 3501(a), 3502(a), and 3502(b) are amended by striking out "not more than \$2,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "in accordance with title 18".

38 USC 6103.

(8) Section 3503 is amended—

(A) by adding at the end of subsection (b) the following:

"An apportionment award under this subsection may not be made in any case after September 1, 1959."; and

(B) by striking out subsection (e).

- (9) Section 3505(c) is amended— 38 USC 6105.
- (A) by striking out “clauses (1),” and inserting in lieu thereof “clauses (2),”;
- (B) by striking out “Secretary of the Treasury, as may be” and inserting in lieu thereof “Secretary of Transportation, as”; and
- (C) by striking out “clause (2) of subsection (b) of this section” and inserting in lieu thereof “clause (1) of that subsection”.

(e) CHAPTERS 71 THROUGH 76 OF TITLE 38.—Part V of such title (as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health-Care Personnel Act of 1991) is amended as follows:

- (1) The tables of chapters before part I and at the beginning of part V are each amended by inserting “United States” before “Court of Veterans Appeals”.
- (2) Section 4001(a) is amended— 38 USC 7101.
- (A) by striking out “There shall be” and inserting in lieu thereof “There is”;
- (B) by inserting a period after “Board”); and
- (C) by striking out “under the” and inserting in lieu thereof “The Board is under the”.
- (3) Sections 4052(a) and 4061(c) are amended by striking out “court” and inserting in lieu thereof “Court”. 38 USC 7252, 7261.
- (4) Section 4054 is amended by redesignating the second subsection (d) as subsection (e). 38 USC 7254.
- (5) Section 4092(c) is amended by striking out “United States Courts” and inserting in lieu thereof “United States Court”. 38 USC 7292.
- (6) Section 4097(h)(1)(A)(i) is amended by striking out “subsection (1)” and inserting in lieu thereof “subsection (l)”. 38 USC 7297.
- (7) Section 4202 is amended by striking out “section 5 of title 41” in paragraph (6) and inserting in lieu thereof “section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5)”. 38 USC 7802.
- (8) Section 4209 is amended by striking out “child care” each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “child-care”. 38 USC 7809.
- (9) Section 4322(d) is amended by inserting an open parenthesis before “adjusted in”. 38 USC 7622.
- (10) Section 4331(b)(4) is amended by striking out “chapter 51” and inserting in lieu thereof “chapter 53”. 38 USC 7631.

(f) CHAPTERS 81 THROUGH 85 OF TITLE 38.—Part VI of such title (as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health-Care Personnel Act of 1991) is amended as follows:

- (1) The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 81 is amended—
- (A) by transferring the item relating to section 5016 (as added by section 205(b) of Public Law 100-322) so as to appear immediately after the item relating to section 5015; and
- (B) by revising the item relating to section 5035 so that the initial letter of the last word is lower case.
- (2) Section 5002(d) is amended by striking out “section 5001” and inserting in lieu thereof “section 5011”. 38 USC 8102.
- (3) Section 5007(a)(2)(B) is amended by striking out the second comma before “are most in need of”. 38 USC 8107.
- (4) Section 5011A is amended— 38 USC 8111A.
- (A) by striking out “or (g)” in subsection (b)(2)(A); and

(B) by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(d)(1) The Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense shall jointly review plans for the implementation of this section not less often than annually.

Reports.

“(2) Whenever a modification to such plans is agreed to, the Secretaries shall jointly submit to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on such modification. Any such report shall be submitted within 30 days after the modification is agreed to.”

38 USC 8122.

(5) Section 5022(a)(3)(A) is amended—

(A) by striking out “State home” and inserting in lieu thereof “State”; and

(B) by striking out “the paragraph” and inserting in lieu thereof “this paragraph”.

38 USC 8134.

(6) Section 5034 is amended—

(A) by inserting “(a)” before “Within six months”; and

(B) by striking out “this section or any amendment to it” and inserting in lieu thereof “any amendment to this section”; and

(C) by designating the sentence at the end of paragraph (3) as subsection (b), realigning such sentence so as to appear full measure and indented, and striking out “such standards” at the end of such sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “the standards prescribed under subsection (a)(3)”.

38 USC 8135.

(7) Section 5035(a) is amended by striking out “After regulations” and all that follows through “any State” in the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “Any State”.

38 USC 8152.

(8) Section 5052 is amended—

(A) by redesignating paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively; and

(B) by realigning those paragraphs to be indented two ems.

38 USC 8153.

(9) Section 5053 is amended by striking out “hereunder” at the end of subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof “under this section”.

38 USC 8201.

(10) Section 5070(e) is amended by striking out “section 5012(a)” and inserting in lieu thereof “section 5022(a)”.

38 USC 8502.

(11) Section 5202(b) is amended by inserting a comma in the second sentence before “namely,”.

Effective dates.

(g) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO OTHER VETERANS STATUTES.—

38 USC 1832, 1833.

(1) Effective as of May 20, 1988, section 415(b)(5)(C) of Public Law 100-322 (102 Stat. 551) is amended by striking out “paragraph (4)” and inserting in lieu thereof “paragraph (1)(D)”.

38 USC 7104.

(2) Effective as of November 18, 1988, the first quoted matter in section 101(b) of Public Law 100-687 (102 Stat. 4106) is amended by inserting “the” after “benefits under”.

26 USC 6103 note.

(3) Section 502 of Public Law 96-128 (93 Stat. 987) is amended by striking out “Internal Revenue Code of 1954” in the first sentence and the last sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “Internal Revenue Code of 1986”.

SEC. 15. OTHER TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.

(a) AMENDMENTS.—Title 38, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(1) Section 1805(a) is amended—

(A) by striking out “approved” in the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “appraised”; and

(B) by striking out “approval” in the second and inserting in lieu thereof “appraisal”.

(2) Section 1825(c) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking out “There” and inserting in lieu thereof “Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, there”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) In the case of a loan described in clause (C) of section 1829(a)(2) of this title, there shall be credited to the Guaranty and Indemnity Fund, in lieu of any amount that would otherwise be credited for such a loan under subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (2) of this subsection—

“(A) for each loan closed during fiscal year 1990, an amount equal to 0.25 percent of the original amount of the loan for each of the fiscal years 1991 and 1992;

“(B) for each loan closed after fiscal year 1990, an amount equal to 0.25 percent of the original amount of the loan for the fiscal year in which the loan is closed and for the following fiscal year.”.

(3) Section 1829(a) is amended by striking out paragraphs (3) and (4) and redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (3).

(4) Section 1829(c)(2) is amended by striking out “section 1825(c)(2) (A) or (B) of this title and subsection (a)(3) of this section” and inserting in lieu thereof “clause (A) or (B) of paragraph (2) of section 1825(c) of this title or paragraph (3) of that section”.

(5) Section 1833 is amended by striking out the subsection (e) that was added by section 5003(a) of Public Law 101-239.

(b) RATIFICATION.—(1) Any action of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or the Secretary of the Treasury—

(A) that was taken during the period beginning on October 1, 1990, and ending on the date of the enactment of this Act; and

(B) that would have been an action carried out under section 1825(c)(3) of title 38, United States Code, if the amendment made by paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this section had been made before October 1, 1990,

is hereby ratified.

(2) Any failure to act by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or the Secretary of the Treasury during such period under section 1829(a)(3) of such title is hereby ratified.

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38 USC 1825
note.

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