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# H. R. 4168

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 25, 1998

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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 “Filipino Veterans  
5       Health Care Act of 1998”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS TO CER-**  
2 **TAIN FILIPINO VETERANS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 107 of title 38, United  
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(3), by inserting “17,” be-  
6 fore “and 23”;

7 (2) in subsection (b)(2)—

8 (A) by striking out “and 13” and inserting  
9 in lieu thereof “, 13”; and

10 (B) by inserting “, and 17” before “of this  
11 title.”;

12 (3) by striking out “Payments under such chap-  
13 ters” each place it appears and inserting in lieu  
14 thereof “Except as provided in subsection (c), pay-  
15 ments under such chapters”; and

16 (4) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
17 section:

18 “(c) In the case of service described in subsection (a)  
19 or (b) by an individual who is a resident of the Common-  
20 wealth of the Philippines, in determining inability to de-  
21 fray necessary expenses under section 1722 of this title  
22 for such individual, the Secretary shall apply a ratio to  
23 reflect in such determination the differences between me-  
24 dian per capita income levels in the United States and in  
25 the Commonwealth of the Philippines.”.

1       (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to benefits fur-  
3 nished under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code,  
4 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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