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**S. 1090**

**[Report No. 107–87]**

To increase, effective as of December 1, 2001, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 22, 2001

Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. CRAIG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

OCTOBER 15, 2001

Reported by Mr. ROCKEFELLER, without amendment

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Veterans’ Compensa-  
3 tion Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2001”.

4 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN RATES OF DISABILITY COMPENSA-**  
5 **TION AND DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY**  
6 **COMPENSATION.**

7       (a) **RATE ADJUSTMENT.**—The Secretary of Veterans  
8 Affairs shall, effective on December 1, 2001, increase the  
9 dollar amounts in effect for the payment of disability com-  
10 pensation and dependency and indemnity compensation by  
11 the Secretary, as specified in subsection (b).

12       (b) **AMOUNTS TO BE INCREASED.**—The dollar  
13 amounts to be increased pursuant to subsection (a) are  
14 the following:

15           (1) **COMPENSATION.**—Each of the dollar  
16 amounts in effect under section 1114 of title 38,  
17 United States Code.

18           (2) **ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR DEPEND-**  
19 **ENTS.**—Each of the dollar amounts in effect under  
20 sections 1115(1) of such title.

21           (3) **CLOTHING ALLOWANCE.**—The dollar  
22 amount in effect under section 1162 of such title.

23           (4) **NEW DIC RATES.**—The dollar amounts in  
24 effect under paragraphs (1) and (2) of section  
25 1311(a) of such title.

1           (5) OLD DIC RATES.—Each of the dollar  
2           amounts in effect under section 1311(a)(3) of such  
3           title.

4           (6) ADDITIONAL DIC FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES  
5           WITH MINOR CHILDREN.—The dollar amount in ef-  
6           fect under section 1311(b) of such title.

7           (7) ADDITIONAL DIC FOR DISABILITY.—The  
8           dollar amounts in effect under sections 1311(c) and  
9           1311(d) of such title.

10          (8) DIC FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN.—The  
11          dollar amounts in effect under sections 1313(a) and  
12          1314 of such title.

13          (c) DETERMINATION OF INCREASE.—(1) The in-  
14          crease under subsection (a) shall be made in the dollar  
15          amounts specified in subsection (b) as in effect on Novem-  
16          ber 30, 2001.

17          (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), each such  
18          amount shall be increased by the same percentage as the  
19          percentage by which benefit amounts payable under title  
20          II of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) are  
21          increased effective December 1, 2001, as a result of a de-  
22          termination under section 215(i) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
23          415(i)).

1       (3) Each dollar amount increased pursuant to para-  
2 graph (2) shall, if not a whole dollar amount, be rounded  
3 down to the next lower whole dollar amount.

4       (d) SPECIAL RULE.—The Secretary may adjust ad-  
5 ministratively, consistent with the increases made under  
6 subsection (a), the rates of disability compensation pay-  
7 able to persons within the purview of section 10 of Public  
8 Law 85–857 (72 Stat. 1263) who are not in receipt of  
9 compensation payable pursuant to chapter 11 of title 38,  
10 United States Code.

11 **SEC. 3. PUBLICATION OF ADJUSTED RATES.**

12       At the same time as the matters specified in section  
13 215(i)(2)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
14 415(i)(2)(D)) are required to be published by reason of  
15 a determination made under section 215(i) of such Act  
16 during fiscal year 2002, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
17 shall publish in the Federal Register the amounts specified  
18 in subsection (b) of section 2, as increased pursuant to  
19 that section.



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