

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2874

AN ACT

To amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of health care to veterans, and for other purposes.

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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
3 “Veterans’ Health Care Improvement Act of 2007”.

4 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
5 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Grants for support of therapeutic readjustment programs for veterans.
- Sec. 3. Transportation grants for rural veterans service organizations.
- Sec. 4. Permanent treatment authority for participants in Department of Defense chemical and biological testing conducted by Deseret Test Center (including Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense).
- Sec. 5. Extension of expiring collections authorities.
- Sec. 6. Readjustment and mental health services for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom Veterans.
- Sec. 7. Expansion and extension of authority for program of referral and counseling services for at-risk veterans transitioning from certain institutions.
- Sec. 8. Permanent authority for domiciliary services for homeless veterans and enhancement of capacity of domiciliary care programs for female veterans.
- Sec. 9. Financial assistance for supportive services for very low-income veteran families in permanent housing.
- Sec. 10. Expansion of eligibility for dental care.
- Sec. 11. Technical amendments.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR SUPPORT OF THERAPEUTIC READ-**
7 **JUSTMENT PROGRAMS FOR VETERANS.**

8 (a) GRANT PROGRAM.—Subchapter II of chapter 5
9 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by inserting
10 after section 521 the following new section:

11 **“§ 521A. Assistance to therapeutic readjustment pro-**
12 **grams**

13 “(a) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Veterans
14 Affairs may make grants to qualified entities described in
15 subsection (b) to conduct workshop programs that have
16 been shown to assist in the therapeutic readjustment and

1 rehabilitation of participants to assist in the therapeutic
2 readjustment of covered veterans.

3 “(b) QUALIFIED ENTITIES.—In order to qualify for
4 grant assistance under subsection (a), a private nonprofit
5 entity must have, as determined by the Secretary, experi-
6 ence and expertise in offering programs to assist in the
7 therapeutic readjustment of participants and that such
8 programs will likely assist covered veterans.

9 “(c) AMOUNT OF GRANT; USE OF FUNDS.—A grant
10 under this section shall not exceed \$100,000 for any cal-
11 endar year and shall be used by the recipient exclusively
12 for the benefit of covered veterans.

13 “(d) APPLICATION.—An application for a grant
14 under this section shall include details regarding the ex-
15 tent and nature of the proposed program, the therapeutic
16 readjustment and rehabilitation benefits expected to be
17 achieved by participants, and any other information the
18 Secretary determines may be necessary to assist the Sec-
19 retary in ensuring that covered veterans receive thera-
20 peutic readjustment and rehabilitation benefits.

21 “(e) COVERED VETERANS.—For the purposes of this
22 subsection, a ‘covered veteran’ is a veteran who served on
23 active duty in a theater of combat operations (as deter-
24 mined by the Secretary in consultation with the Secretary
25 of Defense) during a period of war after the Persian Gulf

1 War, or in combat against a hostile force during a period
2 of hostilities (as defined in section 1712A(a)(2)(B) of this
3 title) after November 11, 1998, and who is discharged or
4 released from active military, naval, or air service on or
5 after September 11, 2001.

6 “(f) REPORTS.—Not later than 60 days after the last
7 day of a fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-
8 mittees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of
9 Representatives a report detailing the number and amount
10 of grants made under this section during the previous fis-
11 cal year, the total number of covered veterans partici-
12 pating in workshop programs funded by such grants, a
13 description of the programs, and the therapeutic benefits
14 to covered veterans of participation in the various pro-
15 grams funded.

16 “(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
17 is authorized to be appropriated for each of fiscal years
18 2008 through 2011 \$2,000,000 to carry out this section.

19 “(h) TERMINATION.—The authority of the Secretary
20 to make a grant under subsection (a) shall terminate on
21 September 30, 2011.”.

22 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
23 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
24 after the item relating to section 521 the following new
25 item:

“521A. Assistance to therapeutic readjustment programs.”.

1 **SEC. 3. TRANSPORTATION GRANTS FOR RURAL VETERANS**
2 **SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS.**

3 (a) GRANT PROGRAM.—Subchapter I of chapter 17
4 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at
5 the end the following new section:

6 **“§ 1709. Grants for provision of transportation to De-**
7 **partment medical facilities for veterans**
8 **in remote rural areas**

9 “(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—(1) The Secretary shall
10 establish a grant program to provide innovative transpor-
11 tation options to veterans in remote rural areas.

12 “(2) Grants awarded under this section may be used
13 by State veterans’ service agencies, veterans service orga-
14 nizations, and private nonprofit entities to assist veterans
15 in remote rural areas to travel to Department medical fa-
16 cilities.

17 “(3) The amount of a grant under this section may
18 not exceed \$50,000.

19 “(4) The recipient of a grant under this section shall
20 not be required to provide matching funds as a condition
21 for receiving such grant.

22 “(b) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary shall prescribe
23 regulations for—

24 “(1) evaluating grant applications under this
25 section; and

1 “(2) otherwise administering the program es-
2 tablished by this section.

3 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 is authorized to be appropriated \$3,000,000 for each of
5 fiscal years 2008 through 2012 to carry out this section.”.

6 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
7 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
8 after the item relating to section 1708 the following new
9 item:

 “1709. Grants for provision of transportation to Department medical facilities
 for veterans in remote rural areas.”.

10 **SEC. 4. PERMANENT TREATMENT AUTHORITY FOR PAR-**
11 **TICIPANTS IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**
12 **CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TESTING CON-**
13 **DUCTED BY DESERET TEST CENTER (INCLUD-**
14 **ING PROJECT SHIPBOARD HAZARD AND DE-**
15 **FENSE).**

16 Section 1710(e)(3) of title 38, United States Code,
17 is amended—

18 (1) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “and”
19 after the semicolon;

20 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “; and”
21 and inserting a period; and

22 (3) by striking subparagraph (D).

1 **SEC. 5. EXTENSION OF EXPIRING COLLECTIONS AUTHORI-**
 2 **TIES.**

3 (a) HEALTH CARE COPAYMENTS.—Section
 4 1710(f)(2)(B) is amended by striking “2007” and insert-
 5 ing “2009”.

6 (b) MEDICAL CARE COST RECOVERY.—Section
 7 1729(a)(2)(E) is amended by striking “2007” and insert-
 8 ing “2009”.

9 **SEC. 6. READJUSTMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**
 10 **FOR COVERED VETERANS.**

11 (a) PROVISION OF READJUSTMENT COUNSELING
 12 AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.—Subchapter II of
 13 chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, is amended
 14 by inserting after section 1712B the following new section:

15 **“§ 1712C. Provision of readjustment counseling and**
 16 **mental health services for covered vet-**
 17 **erans**

18 “(a) PROGRAM REQUIRED.—The Secretary shall
 19 carry out a program to provide peer outreach services,
 20 peer support services, and readjustment and mental health
 21 services to covered veterans.

22 “(b) CONTRACTS WITH COMMUNITY MENTAL
 23 HEALTH CENTERS.—In carrying out the program re-
 24 quired by subsection (a), the Secretary shall contract with
 25 community mental health centers and other qualified enti-
 26 ties to provide the services referred to in that paragraph

1 in areas the Secretary determines are not adequately
2 served by health care facilities of the Department. Such
3 contracts shall require each community health center or
4 other entity—

5 “(1) to the extent practicable, to employ covered vet-
6 erans trained under subsection (c);

7 “(2) to the extent practicable, to use telehealth serv-
8 ices for the provision of such services;

9 “(3) to participate in the training program under
10 subsection (d);

11 “(4) to comply with applicable protocols of the De-
12 partment before incurring any liability on behalf of the
13 Department for the provision of such the services;

14 “(5) to submit annual reports to the Secretary con-
15 taining, with respect to the program required by sub-
16 section (a) and for the last full calendar year ending before
17 the submission of such report—

18 “(A) the number of veterans served, veterans
19 diagnosed, and courses of treatment provided to vet-
20 erans as part of the program required by subsection
21 (a); and

22 “(B) demographic information for such serv-
23 ices, diagnoses, and courses of treatment;

24 “(6) to provide to the Secretary such clinical sum-
25 mary information as the Secretary may require for each

1 veteran for whom the center or entity provides mental
2 health services under the contract; and

3 “(7) to meet such other requirements as the Sec-
4 retary may require.

5 “(c) TRAINING PROGRAM FOR VETERANS.—In car-
6 rying out the program required by subsection (a), the Sec-
7 retary shall contract with a nonprofit mental health orga-
8 nization to carry out a program to train covered veterans
9 to provide peer outreach and peer support services.

10 “(d) TRAINING PROGRAM FOR CLINICIANS.—The
11 Secretary shall conduct a training program for clinicians
12 of community mental health centers or other entities that
13 have entered into contracts with the Secretary under sub-
14 section (b) to ensure that such clinicians are able to pro-
15 vide the services required by subsection (a) in a manner
16 that—

17 “(1) recognizes factors that are unique to the experi-
18 ence of veterans who served on active duty in Operation
19 Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom (including
20 the combat and military training experiences of such vet-
21 erans); and

22 “(2) utilizes best practices and technologies.

23 “(e) COVERED VETERANS.—For the purposes of this
24 subsection, a ‘covered veteran’ is a veteran who served on
25 active duty in a theater of combat operations (as deter-

1 mined by the Secretary in consultation with the Secretary
 2 of Defense) during a period of war after the Persian Gulf
 3 War, or in combat against a hostile force during a period
 4 of hostilities (as defined in section 1712A(a)(2)(B) of this
 5 title) after November 11, 1998, and who is discharged or
 6 released from active military, naval, or air service on or
 7 after September 11, 2001.”.

8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 9 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting
 10 after the item relating to section 1712B the following new
 11 item:

“1712C. Provision of readjustment counseling and mental health services for
 covered veterans.”.

12 **SEC. 7. EXPANSION AND EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR**
 13 **PROGRAM OF REFERRAL AND COUNSELING**
 14 **SERVICES FOR AT-RISK VETERANS**
 15 **TRANSITIONING FROM CERTAIN INSTITU-**
 16 **TIONS.**

17 (a) PROGRAM AUTHORITY.—Subsection (a) of section
 18 2023 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by strik-
 19 ing “a demonstration program for the purpose of deter-
 20 mining the costs and benefits of providing” and inserting
 21 “a program to provide”.

22 (b) SCOPE OF PROGRAM.—Subsection (b) of such
 23 section is amended—

1 (1) by striking “DEMONSTRATION” in the sub-
2 section heading;

3 (2) by striking “demonstration”; and

4 (3) by striking “in at least six locations” and
5 inserting “in at least 12 locations”.

6 (c) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.—Subsection (d) of
7 such section is amended by striking “shall cease” and all
8 that follows and inserting “shall cease on September 30,
9 2011.”.

10 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

11 (1) SCOPE OF PROGRAM.—Subsection (c)(1) of
12 such section is amended by striking “demonstra-
13 tion”.

14 (2) SECTION HEADING.—The heading of such
15 section is amended to read as follows:

16 “§ 2023. Referral and counseling services: veterans at
17 risk of homelessness who are
18 transitioning from certain institutions”.

19 (3) OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Sec-
20 tion 2022(f)(2)(C) of such title is amended by strik-
21 ing “demonstration”.

22 (e) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
23 at the beginning of chapter 20 of such title is amended
24 by striking the item relating to section 2023 and inserting
25 the following new item:

“2023. Referral and counseling services: veterans at risk of homelessness who are transitioning from certain institutions.”.

1 **SEC. 8. PERMANENT AUTHORITY FOR DOMICILIARY SERV-**
 2 **ICES FOR HOMELESS VETERANS AND EN-**
 3 **HANCEMENT OF CAPACITY OF DOMICILIARY**
 4 **CARE PROGRAMS FOR FEMALE VETERANS.**

5 Subsection (b) of section 2043 of title 38, United
 6 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(b) ENHANCEMENT OF CAPACITY OF DOMICILIARY
 8 CARE PROGRAMS FOR FEMALE VETERANS.—The Sec-
 9 retary shall take appropriate actions to ensure that the
 10 domiciliary care programs of the Department are ade-
 11 quate, with respect to capacity and safety, to meet the
 12 needs of veterans who are women.”.

13 **SEC. 9. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SUPPORTIVE SERV-**
 14 **ICES FOR VERY LOW-INCOME VETERAN FAMI-**
 15 **LIES IN PERMANENT HOUSING.**

16 (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to fa-
 17 cilitate the provision of supportive services for very low-
 18 income veteran families in permanent housing.

19 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter V of chapter 20
 21 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by add-
 22 ing at the end the following new section:

1 **“§ 2044. Financial assistance for supportive services**
2 **for very low-income veteran families re-**
3 **siding in permanent housing**

4 “(a) DISTRIBUTION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

5 “(1) The Secretary shall provide financial as-
6 sistance to eligible entities approved under this sec-
7 tion to provide and coordinate the provision of the
8 supportive services for very low-income veteran fami-
9 lies residing in permanent housing.

10 “(2)(A) Financial assistance under this section
11 shall consist of payments for each such family for
12 which an approved eligible entity provides or coordi-
13 nates the provision of supportive services.

14 “(B) The Secretary shall establish a formula
15 for determining the rate of payments provided to a
16 very low-income veteran family receiving supportive
17 services under this section. The rate shall be ad-
18 justed not less than once annually to reflect changes
19 in the cost of living. In calculating the payment for-
20 mula under this subparagraph, the Secretary may
21 consider geographic cost of living variances, family
22 size, and the cost of services provided.

23 “(3) In providing financial assistance under
24 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall give preference to
25 an entity that provides or coordinates the provision
26 of supportive services for very low-income veteran

1 families who are transitioning from homelessness to
2 permanent housing.

3 “(4) The Secretary shall ensure that, to the ex-
4 tent practicable, financial assistance under this sub-
5 section is equitably distributed across geographic re-
6 gions, including rural communities and tribal lands.

7 “(5) Each entity receiving financial assistance
8 under this section to provide supportive services to
9 a very low-income veteran family shall notify the
10 family that such services are being paid for, in whole
11 or in part, by the Department.

12 “(6) The Secretary may require an entity re-
13 ceiving financial assistance under this section to sub-
14 mit a report to the Secretary describing the sup-
15 portive services provided with such financial assist-
16 ance.

17 “(b) APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

18 “(1) An eligible entity seeking financial assist-
19 ance under subsection (a) shall submit to the Sec-
20 retary an application in such form, in such manner,
21 and containing such commitments and information
22 as the Secretary determines to be necessary.

23 “(2) An application submitted under paragraph
24 (1) shall contain—

1 “(A) a description of the supportive serv-
2 ices proposed to be provided by the eligible enti-
3 ty;

4 “(B) a description of the types of very low-
5 income veteran families proposed to be provided
6 such services;

7 “(C) an estimate of the number of very
8 low-income veteran families proposed to be pro-
9 vided such services;

10 “(D) evidence of the experience of the eli-
11 gible entity in providing supportive services to
12 very low-income veteran families; and

13 “(E) a description of the managerial ca-
14 pacity of the eligible entity to—

15 “(i) coordinate the provision of sup-
16 portive services with the provision of per-
17 manent housing, by the eligible entity or
18 by other organizations;

19 “(ii) continuously assess the needs of
20 very low-income veteran families for sup-
21 portive services;

22 “(iii) coordinate the provision of sup-
23 portive services with the services of the De-
24 partment;

1 “(iv) tailor supportive services to the
2 needs of very low-income veteran families;
3 and

4 “(v) continuously seek new sources of
5 assistance to ensure the long-term provi-
6 sion of supportive services to very low-in-
7 come veteran families.

8 “(3) The Secretary shall establish criteria for
9 the selection of eligible entities to receive financial
10 assistance under this section.

11 “(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

12 “(1) The Secretary shall provide training and
13 technical assistance to eligible entities that receive
14 financial assistance under this section with respect
15 to the planning, development, and provision of sup-
16 portive services to very low-income veteran families
17 occupying permanent housing.

18 “(2) The Secretary may provide the training
19 described in paragraph (1) directly or through
20 grants or contracts with appropriate public or non-
21 profit private entities.

22 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
23 is authorized to be appropriated, for each fiscal year,
24 \$25,000,000, to carry out this section, of which not more

1 than \$750,000 for each fiscal year may be used to provide
2 technical assistance under subsection (c).

3 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this section:

4 “(1) The term ‘very low-income veteran family’
5 means a veteran family whose income does not ex-
6 ceed 50 percent of the median income for the area,
7 as determined by the Secretary in accordance with
8 this paragraph, except that—

9 “(A) the Secretary shall make appropriate
10 adjustments to the income requirement under
11 subparagraph (A) based on family size; and

12 “(B) the Secretary may establish an in-
13 come ceiling higher or lower than 50 percent of
14 the median income for an area if the Secretary
15 determines that such variations are necessary
16 because the area has unusually high or low con-
17 struction costs, fair market rents (as deter-
18 mined under section 8 of the United States
19 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f)), or
20 family incomes.

21 “(C) the Secretary shall establish criteria
22 for determining the need for specific supportive
23 services (as defined by paragraph (8)) of indi-
24 vidual very low income veteran families occu-
25 pying permanent housing.

1 “(2) The term ‘veteran family’ includes a vet-
2 eran who is a single person and a family in which
3 the head of household or the spouse of the head of
4 household is a veteran.

5 “(3) The term ‘consumer cooperative’ has the
6 meaning given such term in section 202 of the
7 Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q).

8 “(4) The term ‘eligible entity’ means—

9 “(A) a private nonprofit organization; or

10 “(B) a consumer cooperative.

11 “(5) The term ‘homeless’ has the meaning
12 given the term in section 103 of the McKinney-
13 Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302).

14 “(6) The term ‘permanent housing’ means com-
15 munity-based housing without a designated length of
16 stay.

17 “(7) The term ‘private nonprofit organization’
18 means—

19 “(A) any incorporated private institution
20 or foundation—

21 “(i) no part of the net earnings of
22 which inures to the benefit of any member,
23 founder, contributor, or individual;

24 “(ii) which has a governing board that
25 is responsible for the operation of the sup-

1 portive services provided under this sec-
2 tion; and

3 “(iii) which is approved by the Sec-
4 retary as to financial responsibility;

5 “(B) a for-profit limited partnership, the
6 sole general partner of which is an organization
7 meeting the requirements of clauses (i), (ii),
8 and (iii) of subparagraph (A);

9 “(C) a corporation wholly owned and con-
10 trolled by an organization meeting the require-
11 ments of clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subpara-
12 graph (A); and

13 “(D) a tribally designated housing entity
14 (as defined in section 4 of the Native American
15 Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act
16 of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)).

17 “(8) The term ‘supportive services’ means the
18 following:

19 “(A) Services provided by an eligible entity
20 or subcontractors that address the needs of very
21 low-income veteran families occupying perma-
22 nent housing, including—

23 “(i) outreach services;

24 “(ii) health care services, including di-
25 agnosis, treatment, and counseling for

1 mental health and substance abuse dis-
2 orders and for post-traumatic stress dis-
3 order, if such services are not readily avail-
4 able through the Department of Veterans
5 Affairs medical center serving the geo-
6 graphic area in which the veteran family is
7 housed;

8 “(iii) habilitation and rehabilitation
9 services;

10 “(iv) case management services;

11 “(v) daily living services;

12 “(vi) personal financial planning;

13 “(vii) transportation services;

14 “(viii) vocational counseling;

15 “(ix) employment and training;

16 “(x) educational services;

17 “(xi) assistance in obtaining veterans
18 benefits and other public benefits, includ-
19 ing health care provided by the Depart-
20 ment;

21 “(xii) assistance in obtaining income
22 support;

23 “(xiii) assistance in obtaining health
24 insurance;

1 “(xiv) fiduciary and representative
2 payee services;

3 “(xv) legal services to assist the vet-
4 eran family with reconsiderations or ap-
5 peals of veterans and public benefit claim
6 denials and to resolve outstanding war-
7 rants that interfere with the family’s abil-
8 ity to obtain or retain housing or sup-
9 portive services;

10 “(xvi) child care;

11 “(xvii) housing counseling;

12 “(xviii) other services necessary for
13 maintaining independent living; and

14 “(xix) coordination of services de-
15 scribed in this paragraph.

16 “(B) Services provided by an eligible entity
17 or subcontractors, including services described
18 in clauses (i) through (xix) of subparagraph
19 (A), that are delivered to very low-income vet-
20 eran families who are homeless and who are
21 scheduled to become residents of permanent
22 housing within 90 days of the date on which the
23 service is provided pending the location or de-
24 velopment of housing suitable for permanent
25 housing.

1 “(C) Services provided by an eligible entity
 2 or subcontractors, including services described
 3 in clauses (i) through (xix) of subparagraph
 4 (A), for very low-income veteran families who
 5 have voluntarily chosen to seek other housing
 6 after a period of tenancy in permanent housing,
 7 that are provided, for a period of 90 days be-
 8 ginning on the date on which such a family
 9 exits permanent housing or until such a family
 10 commences receipt of other housing services
 11 adequate to meet the needs of the family, but
 12 only to the extent that services under this para-
 13 graph are designed to support such a family in
 14 the choice to transition into housing that is re-
 15 sponsive to the individual needs and preferences
 16 of the family.”.

17 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
 18 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
 19 by inserting after the item relating to section 2043
 20 the following new item:

“2044. Financial assistance for supportive services for very low-income veteran
 families residing in permanent housing.”.

21 **SEC. 10. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR DENTAL CARE.**

22 Section 2062(b) of title 38, United States Code, is
 23 amended by striking “60 consecutive days” both places
 24 it appears and inserting “30 consecutive days”.

1 **SEC. 11. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

2 Title 38, United States Code, is amended—

3 (1) in each of sections 1708(d), 7314(f),
4 7320(j)(2), 7325(i)(2), and 7328(i)(2), by striking
5 “medical care account” and inserting “medical serv-
6 ices account”;

7 (2) in section 1712A—

8 (A) by striking subsection (g);

9 (B) by redesignating subsections (d), (e),
10 (f), and (i) as subsections (c) through (f), re-
11 spectively; and

12 (C) in subsection (f)(1), as so redesign-
13 nated, by striking “(including a Resource Cen-
14 ter designated under subsection (h)(3)(A) of
15 this section)”;

16 (3) in section 2065(b)(3)(C), by striking “);”;

17 (4) in the table of sections at the beginning of
18 chapter 36, by striking the item relating to section
19 3684A and inserting the following new item:

“3684A. Procedures relating to computer matching program.”;

20 (5) in section 3684(a)(1), by striking “34,”
21 and inserting “34,”;

22 (6) in section 4110(c)(1), by striking “15” and
23 inserting “16”;

1 (7) in the table of sections at the beginning of
2 chapter 51, by striking the item relating to section
3 5121 and inserting the following new item:

“5121. Payment of certain accrued benefits upon death of a beneficiary.”;

4 (8) in section 7458(b)(2), by striking “pro
5 rated” and inserting “pro-rated”; and

6 (9) in section 8117(a)(1), by striking “such
7 such” and inserting “such”.

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