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H. R. 4674

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the specially adapted housing assistance program for individuals with terminal illnesses, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2014

Ms. BROWNLEY of California (for herself and Mr. JONES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Guarantee Housing
5 for Terminally Ill Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SPECIALLY ADAPTED HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR**
2 **INDIVIDUALS WITH TERMINAL ILLNESSES.**

3 (a) INDIVIDUALS WITH TERMINAL ILLNESSES.—
4 Chapter 21 of title 38, United States Code, is amended
5 by adding at the end the following new section:

6 **“§ 2110. Specially adapted housing assistance for in-**
7 **dividuals with terminal illnesses**

8 “(a) PRIORITY.—In providing assistance under this
9 chapter (not including section 2108), the Secretary shall
10 give priority to an individual who is—

11 “(1) eligible for such assistance; and

12 “(2) diagnosed with a terminal illness.

13 “(b) REIMBURSEMENT.—(1) If a veteran diagnosed
14 with a terminal illness is eligible for assistance under sub-
15 section (a) or (b) of section 2101 of this title or section
16 2102A and applies for, and has not yet received, such as-
17 sistance, the Secretary shall reimburse the veteran for
18 costs relating to specially adapted housing if—

19 “(A) such costs are for acquisitions or
20 adaptations that the veteran is eligible for under such
21 assistance;

22 “(B) the veteran paid such costs after applying
23 for such assistance; and

24 “(C) such reimbursement does not exceed the
25 amount of such assistance for which the veteran is
26 eligible, in accordance with section 2102.

1 “(2) A reimbursement by the Secretary under para-
2 graph (1) shall be treated as a grant for assistance under
3 this chapter.”.

4 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
5 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
6 after the item relating to section 2109 the following:

“2110. Specially adapted housing assistance for individuals with terminal illnesses.”.

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