

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1584

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide replacement automobiles for certain disabled veterans and members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 28, 2013

Mr. SANDERS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. REPLACEMENT AUTOMOBILES FOR CERTAIN**
4 **DISABLED VETERANS AND MEMBERS OF**
5 **ARMED FORCES.**

6 Section 3903 of title 38, United States Code, is
7 amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting the fol-
8 lowing new subsection (a):

1 “(a)(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and except as pro-
2 vided in paragraph (3), an eligible person entitled to re-
3 ceive an automobile or other conveyance under the provi-
4 sions of this chapter is entitled—

5 “(A) to receive only one automobile or other
6 conveyance under the provisions of this chapter; and

7 “(B) to replace such automobile or other con-
8 veyance twice under the provisions of this chapter.

9 “(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), the aggre-
10 gate amount that the Secretary may expend under sub-
11 section (a) of section 3902 of this title for an eligible per-
12 son (including amounts expended for replacement auto-
13 mobiles or other conveyances) shall not exceed the amount
14 set forth in such subsection (as adjusted from time to time
15 under subsection (e) of such section).

16 “(3) The Secretary may provide or assist in providing
17 an eligible person with a replacement automobile or other
18 conveyance under this chapter that is not subject to the
19 limitations of paragraphs (1) and (2) and does not count
20 against the eligible person’s entitlement under this chapter
21 if—

22 “(A) the Secretary receives satisfactory evi-
23 dence that the automobile or other conveyance of the
24 eligible person previously purchased with assistance
25 under this chapter was destroyed—

1 “(i) as a result of a natural or other dis-
2 aster, as determined by the Secretary; and

3 “(ii) through no fault of the eligible per-
4 son; and

5 “(B) the eligible person does not otherwise re-
6 ceive from a property insurer compensation for the
7 loss.

8 “(4) No payment shall be made under this chapter
9 for the repair or maintenance of an automobile or other
10 conveyance.”.

11 **SEC. 2. CODIFICATION OF COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT IN**
12 **AMOUNTS OF ASSISTANCE FOR PROVIDING**
13 **AUTOMOBILES FOR CERTAIN DISABLED VET-**
14 **ERANS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED**
15 **FORCES.**

16 Section 3902(a) of title 38, United States Code, is
17 amended by striking “\$18,900” and inserting “\$30,000”.

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