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# H. R. 3761

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 16, 2015

Mr. GRAYSON (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. POCAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. NADLER, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mrs. TORRES, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. COHEN, Ms. BASS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. GALLEGRO, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. LEE, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SIRES, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To increase Social Security and military retirement benefits by 2.9 percent, and base future cost-of-living increase adjustments to the Consumer Price Index for the elderly.

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 “Seniors Deserve A  
3 Raise Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES FOR SOCIAL SECURITY**  
5 **AND MILITARY RETIREMENT AND SURVIVOR**  
6 **BENEFITS TO BE BASED ON CONSUMER**  
7 **PRICE INDEX FOR THE ELDERLY.**

8 Notwithstanding the adjustments otherwise required  
9 by sections 1401a, 1451(g)(1), 1451(h)(1), and  
10 1452(a)(4)(B) of title 10, United States Code, and section  
11 215(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)),  
12 whenever there is an increase in the Consumer Price Index  
13 for the elderly, published by the Department of Labor,  
14 that is greater than the previous increase in the Consumer  
15 Price Index, the dollar amounts in effect for the payment  
16 of the following benefits, as such amounts were in effect  
17 immediately before such increase, shall be increased by the  
18 same percentage as the Consumer Price Index for the el-  
19 derly was increased above the prior Consumer Price Index  
20 increase:

21 (1) Any old-age, survivors, or disability insur-  
22 ance benefit under title II of the Social Security Act.

23 (2) Any military retirement or survivor benefit  
24 program administered pursuant to title 10, United  
25 States Code.

1 **SEC. 3. ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE**  
2 **TO COMPENSATE FOR FAILURE TO BASE**  
3 **PAST INCREASES ON CONSUMER PRICE**  
4 **INDEX FOR THE ELDERLY.**

5 In addition to any increase required by section 2 for  
6 a year, each benefit described in such section shall be in-  
7 creased by 2.9 percent on January 1, 2016, and shall re-  
8 main in effect every year thereafter.

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