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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2025

Mr. BACON 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 “Autonomy for Disabled
5 Veterans Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO DISABLED**
2 **VETERANS FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND STRUC-**
3 **TURAL ALTERATIONS FURNISHED AS PART**
4 **OF HOME HEALTH SERVICES.**

5 (a) INCREASE.—Section 1717 of title 38, United
6 States Code, is amended, in paragraph (2) of subsection
7 (a)—

8 (1) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking
9 “\$6,800” and inserting “\$10,000”; and

10 (2) in subparagraph (B)(ii), by striking
11 “\$2,000” and inserting “\$5,000”.

12 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-
13 section (a) shall apply to a veteran who first applies for
14 benefits under such paragraph on or after the date of the
15 enactment of this Act.

16 (c) CLARIFICATION.—A veteran who exhausted the
17 eligibility of such veteran for benefits under such para-
18 graph before the date of the enactment of this Act is not
19 entitled to additional benefits under such section by reason
20 of the amendments made by subsection (a).

21 **SEC. 3. ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.**

22 Such subsection is further amended by adding at the
23 end the following new paragraph:

24 “(4) On an annual basis, the Secretary shall increase
25 the dollar amount in effect under subsection (a)(2) by a
26 percentage equal to the percentage by which the Consumer

1 Price Index for all urban consumers (United States city
2 average) increased during the 12-month period ending
3 with the last month for which Consumer Price Index data
4 is available. In the event that such Consumer Price Index
5 does not increase during such period, the Secretary shall
6 maintain the dollar amount in effect under subsection
7 (a)(2) during the previous fiscal year.”.

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