# Public Law 103-140 **103d Congress**

# An Act

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of such veterans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.

(a) SHORT TITLE .- This Act may be cited as the "Veterans' Compensation Rates Amendments of 1993".

(b) REFERENCES.—Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of title 38, United States Code.

#### SEC. 2. DISABILITY COMPENSATION.

Section 1114 is amended—

(1) by striking out "\$85" in subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$87"

(2) by striking out "\$162" in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$166";

(3) by striking out "\$247" in subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$253";

(4) by striking out "\$352" in subsection (d) and inserting

in lieu thereof "\$361"; (5) by striking out "\$502" in subsection (e) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$515";

(6) by striking out "\$632" in subsection (f) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$648";

(7) by striking out "\$799" in subsection (g) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$819":

(8) by striking out "\$924" in subsection (h) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$948";

(9) by striking out "\$1,040" in subsection (i) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1,067"; (10) by striking out "\$1,730" in subsection (j) and inserting

in lieu thereof "\$1,774";

(11) by striking out "\$2,152" and "\$3,015" in subsection (k) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2,207" and "\$3,093", respectively;

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(12) by striking out "\$2,152" in subsection (1) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2,207"; (13) by striking out "\$2,371" in subsection (m) and inserting

in lieu thereof "\$2,432";

(14) by striking out "\$2,698" in subsection (n) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2,768";

(15) by striking out "\$3,015" each place it appears in subsections (o) and (p) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$3,093"

(16) by striking out "\$1,295" and "\$1,928" in subsection (r) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1.328" and "\$1.978", respectively; and

(17) by striking out "\$1,935" in subsection (s) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1.985".

#### SEC. 3. ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR DEPENDENTS.

Section 1115(1) is amended-

(1) by striking out "\$103" in clause (A) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$105"

(2) by striking out "\$174" and "\$54" in clause (B) and

(2) by striking out \$174 and \$54 in clause (B) and inserting in lieu thereof \$178" and \$55", respectively;
(3) by striking out \$71" and \$54" in clause (C) and inserting in lieu thereof \$72" and \$55", respectively;
(4) by striking out \$82" in clause (D) and inserting in

lieu thereof "\$84";

(5) by striking out "\$191" in clause (E) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$195"; and

(6) by striking out "\$160" in clause (F) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$164"

#### SEC. 4. CLOTHING ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN DISABLED VETERANS.

Section 1162 is amended by striking out "\$466" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$478".

## SEC. 5. DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION FOR SURVIV-ING SPOUSES.

Section 1311 is amended-

(1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking out "\$750" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$769"

(2) in subsection (a)(2), by striking out "\$165" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$169"

(3) in subsection (a)(3), by striking out the table therein and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

	Monthly		Monthly
"Pay grade	rate	Pay grade	rate
E-7	\$794	Ŏ_3	\$897
E-8	838	0-4	948
E-9	1875	0-5	1.044
W-1	812	Ō6	1,177
W-2	844	0-7	1,271
W-3	869	0-8	1.392
W-4	920	O9	1,492
0-1	812	0-10	<sup>2</sup> 1.636
Ō–2	838	*********	

<sup>41</sup> If the veteran served as sergeant major of the Army, senior enlisted advisor of the Navy, chief master sergeant of the Air Force, sergeant major of the Marine Corps, or master chief petty officer of the Coast Guard, at the applicable time designated by section 1302 of this title, the surviving spouse's rate shall be \$943. <sup>42</sup> If the veteran served as Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army, Chief of Naval Operations, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Commandant of the Marine Corps, or Commandant of the Coast Guard, at the applicable time designated by section 1302 of this title, the surviving spouse's rate shall be \$1,753.";

(4) in subsection (c), by striking out "\$191" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$195"; and

(5) in subsection (d), by striking out "\$93" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$95".

# SEC. 6. DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION FOR CHIL-DREN

(a) DIC FOR ORPHAN CHILDREN.—Section 1313(a) is amended—

(1) by striking out "\$319" in clause (1) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$327"; (2) by striking out "\$460" in clause (2) and inserting in

lieu thereof "\$471";

(3) by striking out "\$595" in clause (3) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$610"; and

(4) by striking out "\$595" and "\$117" in clause (4) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$610" and "\$120", respectively.

(b) SUPPLEMENTAL DIC FOR DISABLED ADULT CHILDREN.-Section 1314 is amended-

(1) by striking out "\$191" in subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$195";

(2) by striking out "\$319" in subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$327"; and

(3) by striking out "\$162" in subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$166".

#### SEC. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendments made by this Act shall take effect on December 1, 1993.

38 USC 1114 note.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY-S. 616 (H.R. 3340):

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 103-312 accompanying H.R. 3340 (Comm. on Veterans' Affairs). SENATE REPORTS: No. 103-55 (Comm. on Veterans' Affairs). CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 139 (1993): July 14, considered and passed Senate. Nov. 2, H.R. 3340 considered and passed House; S. 616, amended, passed in lieu.

Nov. 4, Senate concurred in House amendments.