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104TH CONGRESS

2D SESSION S. 1791 To increase, effective as of December 1, 1996, the rates of disability com- pensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of such veter- ans, and for other purposes.
IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES MAY 22, 1996 Mr. SIMPSON (for himself and Mr. ROCKEFELLER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs

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nected disabilities and the rates of dependency and in-
demnity compensation for survivors of such veterans,
and for other purposes.
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 ‘‘Veterans’ Compensa-

5 tion Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1996’’.

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1 SEC. 2. INCREASE IN COMPENSATION RATES AND LIMITA-
2 TIONS.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—(1) The Secretary of Veterans Af-
4 fairs shall, as provided in paragraph (2), increase, effec-

5 tive December 1, 1996, the rates of and limitations on
6 Department of Veterans Affairs disability compensation

7 and dependency and indemnity compensation.
8 (2) The Secretary shall increase each of the rates and
9 limitations in sections 1114, 1115(1), 1162, 1311, 1313,

10 and 1314 of title 38, United States Code, that were in-
11 creased by the amendments made by the Veterans’ Com-

12 pensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1995 (Public 13 Law No. 104–57; 109 Stat. 555). This increase shall be

14 made in such rates and limitations as in effect on Novem-

15 ber 30, 1996, and shall be by the same percentage that
16 benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Secu-

17 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) are increased effective 18 December 1, 1996, as a result of a determination under
19 section 215(i) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)).

20 (b) SPECIAL RULE.—The Secretary may adjust ad-
21 ministratively, consistent with the increases made under

22 subsection (a)(2), the rates of disability compensation pay-23 able to persons within the purview of section 10 of Public
24 Law 85–857 (72 Stat. 1263) who are not in receipt of

25 compensation payable pursuant to chapter 11 of title 38,
26 United States Code.

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1 (c) PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT.—At the same time
2 as the matters specified in section 215(i)(2)(D) of the So-

3 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(2)(D)) are required 4 to be published by reason of a determination made under 5 section 215(i) of such Act during fiscal year 1996, the

6 Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register the rates
7 and limitations referred to in subsection (a)(2) as in-
8 creased under this section.
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