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H. R. 3818

To provide additional compensation for certain World War II veterans who survived the Bataan Death March and were held as prisoners of war by the Japanese.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MICA 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. PAYMENT TO WORLD WAR II VETERANS WHO**
4 **SURVIVED BATAAN DEATH MARCH.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the military de-
6 partment concerned shall pay, upon request, to an individ-
7 ual described in subsection (b) the amount determined
8 with respect to that individual under subsection (c).

1 (b) COVERED INDIVIDUALS.—A payment under sub-
2 section (a) shall be made to any individual who as a mem-
3 ber of the Armed Forces during World War II—

4 (1) was captured on the peninsula of Bataan or
5 island of Corregidor in the territory of the Phil-
6ippines by Japanese forces; and

7 (2) participated in and survived the Bataan
8 Death March.

9 (c) AMOUNT TO BE PAID.—The amount of a pay-
10 ment under subsection (a) to an individual shall be \$4 for
11 each day during which the individual was held in captivity
12 by Japanese forces during World War II, compounded an-
13nually at a 3 percent annual rate of interest.

14 (d) PAYMENT TO SURVIVORS.—In the case of an indi-
15 vidual described in subsection (b) who is deceased, pay-
16 ment under this section with respect to that individual
17 shall be made to that individual's nearest surviving rel-
18 ative, as determined by the Secretary concerned.

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