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# S. 1647

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 7, 2001

Mrs. LINCOLN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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 “Equal Treatment of  
5       VA Payments Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF VETERANS' OR SURVIVORS' COM-**  
2 **PENSATION OR PENSION IN SSI INCOME DIS-**  
3 **REGARD.**

4 (a) AMENDMENT TO SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—Sec-  
5 tion 1612(b)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
6 1382a(b)(2)(A)) is amended by inserting “(for purposes  
7 of this subparagraph, income derived from compensation,  
8 dependency and indemnity compensation, or pension pay-  
9 able under chapter 11, 13, or 15 of title 38, United States  
10 Code, or under any other law administered by the Sec-  
11 retary of Veterans Affairs, on the basis of need or other-  
12 wise, shall not be considered income paid on the basis of  
13 the need of the eligible individual)” after “individual”.

14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
15 subsection (a) takes effect on the first day of the first cal-  
16 endar year that begins after the date of enactment of this  
17 Act.

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