

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 114

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 26, 2017

Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit an annual report regarding performance awards and bonuses awarded to certain high-level employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Department of Vet-
3 erans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORT ON PERFORMANCE AWARDS AND**
5 **BONUSES AWARDED TO CERTAIN HIGH-**
6 **LEVEL EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
7 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 7 of title 38, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new section:

11 **“§ 714. Annual report on performance awards and bo-**
12 **nuses awarded to certain high-level em-**
13 **ployees**

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
15 end of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit to the
16 appropriate committees of Congress a report that con-
17 tains, for the most recent fiscal year ending before the
18 submittal of the report, a description of the performance
19 awards and bonuses awarded to Regional Office Directors
20 of the Department, Directors of Medical Centers of the
21 Department, and Directors of Veterans Integrated Service
22 Networks.

23 “(b) ELEMENTS.—Each report submitted under sub-
24 section (a) shall include the following with respect to each
25 performance award or bonus awarded to an individual de-
26 scribed in such subsection:

1 “(1) The amount of each award or bonus.

2 “(2) The job title of the individual awarded the
3 award or bonus.

4 “(3) The location where the individual awarded
5 the award or bonus works.

6 “(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—In
7 this section, the term ‘appropriate committees of Con-
8 gress’ means—

9 “(1) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and
10 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

11 “(2) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and
12 the Committee on Appropriations of the House of
13 Representatives.”.

14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
15 at the beginning of chapter 7 of such title is amended by
16 inserting after the item relating to section 713 the fol-
17 lowing new item:

“714. Annual report on performance awards and bonuses awarded to certain
high-level employees.”.

Passed the Senate May 25, 2017.

Attest:

JULIE E. ADAMS,

Secretary.