Public Law 94-424
94th Congress

An Act

Sept. 28, 1976
[H.R. 3348]

To amend title 38, United States Code, in order to extend and improve the program of exchange of medical information between the Veterans' Administration and the medical community, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subchapter IV of chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code, is amended as follows:

Veterans.
Exchange of medical information program.
38 USC 5054.

(1) By inserting at the end of section 5054(b) the following new sentence: "Any proceeds to the Government received therefrom shall be credited to the applicable Veterans' Administration medical appropriation."; and

Appropriation authorization.
38 USC 5055.

(2) By striking out in section 5055(c)(1) "$3,000,000 for each fiscal year 1968 through 1971, and such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year 1972 through 1975," and inserting in lieu thereof $3,500,000 for fiscal year 1976; $1,700,000 for the period beginning July 1, 1976, and ending September 30, 1976; $4,000,000 for fiscal year 1977; $4,000,000 for fiscal year 1978; and $4,000,000 for fiscal year 1979,".

SEC. 2. (a) Subchapter I of chapter 2 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

38 USC 203.

"§ 203. Availability of appropriations

"Any funds appropriated to the Veterans' Administration may, to the extent provided in this title or an appropriations Act, remain available until expended.".

(b) The table of sections for subchapter I of chapter 3 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new item:

"203. Availability of appropriations.".

Approved September 28, 1976.

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