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H. R. 3619

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of assistance for specially adapted housing for disabled veterans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 1, 1998

Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. MASCARA, Ms. CARSON, Mr. REYES, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. WATERS, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. BROWN of Florida, and Mr. DOYLE) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Disabled Veterans Spe-
5 cial Housing Improvements Act of 1998”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN ASSISTANCE AMOUNT FOR SPECIALLY**
2 **ADAPTED HOUSING.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2102 of title 38, United
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) of
6 subsection (a), by striking out “\$38,000” and in-
7 serting in lieu thereof “\$48,070”; and

8 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking out
9 “\$6,500” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$8,222”.

10 (b) ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION.—Section
11 2102 of such title, as amended by subsection (a), is fur-
12 ther amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
13 section:

14 “(c)(1) With respect to the fiscal year beginning on
15 October 1, 1999, the Secretary shall provide a percentage
16 increase in the maximum amount payable under sub-
17 section (a) or (b)(2) equal to the percentage by which the
18 Bureau of the Census Houses Under Construction Fixed-
19 Weighted Index (published in the Bureau of the Census
20 Current Construction Report, Value of Construction Put
21 in Place) for the 12-month period ending June 30, 1999,
22 exceeds such Index for the 12-month period ending June
23 30, 1998.

24 “(2) With respect to any fiscal year beginning on or
25 after October 1, 2000, the Secretary shall pay, in lieu of
26 the maximum amounts payable under paragraph (1), the

1 maximum amounts payable under this subsection for the
2 previous fiscal year and shall provide, for any such fiscal
3 year, a percentage increase in such rates equal to the per-
4 centage by which—

5 “(A) the Bureau of the Census Houses Under
6 Construction Fixed-Weighted Index (published in
7 the Bureau of the Census Current Construction Re-
8 port, Value of Construction Put in Place) for the 12-
9 month period ending on the June 30 preceding the
10 beginning of the fiscal year for which the increase is
11 made, exceeds

12 “(B) such Index for the 12-month period pre-
13 ceding the 12-month period described in paragraph
14 (1).”.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 subsections (a) and (b) shall apply with respect to assist-
17 ance furnished to a veteran under section 2101 of such
18 title on or after October 1, 1998.

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