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# H. R. 3818

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 1998

Mr. MICA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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. 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-  
13 nually 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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