105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2278

To exclude certain veterans' educational benefits from being considered a resource in the computation of financial aid.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 8, 1998

Mr. Graham (for himself and Mr. Coverdell) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 "Veterans' Educational
- 5 Benefits Protection Act of 1998".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress makes the following findings:
- 8 (1) Having served their country with honor,
- 9 veterans of the Armed Forces deserve the Nation's
- 10 gratitude and support.

1	(2) Recognizing that education is a key element
2	of economic success and reintegration into civilian
3	life, Congress has for more than 50 years provided
4	aid to veterans seeking postsecondary education.

- (3) The escalating costs of postsecondary education make veterans more dependent than ever on veterans' educational benefits.
- 8 (4) Recipients of veterans' educational benefits 9 should not be disadvantaged with respect to any 10 other recipients of Federal educational aid pro-11 grams.
- 12 SEC. 3. TREATMENT OF VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL BENE-
- 13 **FITS.**

States Code, or".

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Section 480(j)(3) (20 U.S.C. 1087vv(j)(3)) is amend-15 ed by inserting after "paragraph (1)," the following: "a 16 post-service benefit under chapter 30 of title 38, United

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