

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1432

To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide long-term nursing care at public expense to any veteran with a service-connected disability of 50 percent or greater.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 15, 1999

Mrs. KELLY (for herself, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BARR of Georgia, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, and Mr. METCALF) 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 “Veterans Nursing
5 Home Care Act of 1999”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM NURSING**
2 **CARE TO VETERANS WITH SERVICE-CON-**
3 **NECTED DISABILITIES OF 50 PERCENT OR**
4 **GREATER.**

5 (a) REQUIREMENT.—(1) Paragraph (1) of section
6 1710(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by
7 striking “care and medical services, and may furnish nurs-
8 ing home care,” in the matter preceding subparagraph (A)
9 and inserting “care, medical services, and nursing home
10 care”.

11 (2) Paragraph (4) of that section is amended by in-
12 serting “, and the requirement in paragraph (1) that the
13 Secretary furnish nursing home care,” after “medical
14 services”.

15 (b) CARE IN NON-DEPARTMENT NURSING HOMES.—
16 Section 1720(a)(3)(B) of such title is amended by insert-
17 ing before the semicolon the following: “or for a veteran
18 with a service-connected disability of 50 percent or great-
19 er”.

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