106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 3998

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 16, 2000

Mr. Evans (for himself, Ms. Berkley, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Filner, Mr. Gutierrez, Ms. Brown of Florida, Ms. Carson, Mr. Reyes, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Shows, Mrs. Morella, Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Kaptur, Ms. Lofgren, Mrs. Mink of Hawaii, Ms. Waters, Mr. Abercrombie, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Costello, Mr. Frost, Mr. Kennedy of Rhode Island, Mr. McHugh, and Mrs. Thurman) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Veterans' Special
- 3 Monthly Compensation Gender Equity Act".
- 4 SEC. 2. COMPENSATION TO BE PAID BY DEPARTMENT OF
- 5 VETERANS AFFAIRS AT SO-CALLED "K" RATE
- 6 FOR SERVICE-CONNECTED LOSS OF ONE OR
- 7 BOTH BREASTS DUE TO RADICAL MASTEC-
- 8 **TOMY.**
- 9 Section 1114(k) of title 38, United States Code, is
- 10 amended by inserting "or one or both breasts due to a
- 11 radical mastectomy or modified radical mastectomy," after
- 12 "loss or loss of use of one or more creative organs,".

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