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To allow certain individuals who provided service to the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippines during World War II to receive a reduced SSI benefit after moving back to the Philippines.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. INOUE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. PROVISION OF REDUCED SSI BENEFIT TO CER-**
 2 **TAIN INDIVIDUALS WHO PROVIDED SERVICE**
 3 **TO THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED**
 4 **STATES IN THE PHILIPPINES DURING WORLD**
 5 **WAR II AFTER THEY MOVE BACK TO THE**
 6 **PHILIPPINES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections
 8 1611(b), 1611(f)(1), and 1614(a)(1)(B)(i) of the Social
 9 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382(b), (f)(1),
 10 1382c(a)(1)(B)(i))—

11 (1) the eligibility of a qualified individual for
 12 benefits under the supplemental security income pro-
 13 gram under title XVI of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1381
 14 et seq.) shall not terminate by reason of a change
 15 in the place of residence of the individual to the
 16 Philippines; and

17 (2) the benefits payable to the individual under
 18 such program shall be reduced by 25 percent for so
 19 long as the place of residence of the individual is in
 20 the Philippines.

21 (b) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL DEFINED.—In sub-
 22 section (a), the term “qualified individual” means an indi-
 23 vidual who—

24 (1) as of the date of enactment of this Act, is
 25 receiving benefits under the supplemental security

1 income program under title XVI of the Social Secu-
2 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.); and

3 (2) before December 31, 1946, served in the or-
4 ganized military forces of the Government of the
5 Commonwealth of the Philippines while such forces
6 were in the service of the Armed Forces of the
7 United States pursuant to the military order of the
8 President dated July 26, 1941, including among
9 such military forces organized guerrilla forces under
10 commanders appointed, designated, or subsequently
11 recognized by the Commander in Chief, Southwest
12 Pacific Area, or other competent military authority
13 in the Army of the United States.

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