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# H. R. 4559

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 24, 2002

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself and Mr. EVANS) (both by request) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Department of Vet-  
5       erans Affairs Reorganization Act of 2002”.

6       **SEC. 2. REFERENCES TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.**

7       Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in  
8       this Act an amendment is expressed in terms of an amend-

1 ment to a section or other provision, the reference shall  
2 be considered to be made to a section or other provision  
3 of title 38, United States Code.

4 **SEC. 3. INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED ASSIST-**  
5 **ANT SECRETARIES; REVISION OF FUNCTIONS.**

6 Section 308 is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “six” and in-  
8 serting “seven” in the first sentence; and

9 (2) by inserting at the end of subsection (b) the  
10 following new paragraph (11):

11 “(11) Operations, preparedness, security and  
12 law enforcement functions.”.

13 **SEC. 4. CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO TITLE 5, UNITED**  
14 **STATES CODE.**

15 Section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, is  
16 amended by striking “Assistant Secretaries, Department  
17 of Veterans Affairs (6)” and inserting “Assistant Secre-  
18 taries, Department of Veterans Affairs (7)”.

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