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H. R. 844

To amend title XVI of the Social Security Act to provide that annuities paid by States to blind veterans shall be disregarded in determining supplemental security income benefits.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. REYNOLDS (for himself, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. LaFALCE, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. QUINN, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. GRUCCI, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. McHUGH, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. ENGEL, and Ms. SLAUGHTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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. STATE ANNUITIES FOR BLIND VETERANS TO BE**
2 **DISREGARDED IN DETERMINING SUPPLE-**
3 **MENTAL SECURITY INCOME BENEFITS.**

4 (a) INCOME DISREGARD.—Section 1612(b) of the So-
5 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1382a(b)) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph
7 (21);

8 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-
9 graph (22) and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(23) any annuity paid by a State to the indi-
12 vidual (or such spouse) on the basis of the individual
13 being a veteran (as defined in section 101 of title
14 38, United States Code) who is blind.”.

15 (b) RESOURCE DISREGARD.—Section 1613(a) of
16 such Act (42 U.S.C. 1382b(a)) is amended—

17 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph
18 (12);

19 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-
20 graph (13) and inserting “; and”; and

21 (3) by inserting after paragraph (13) the fol-
22 lowing:

23 “(14) for the month of receipt and every month
24 thereafter, any annuity paid by a State to the indi-
25 vidual (or such spouse) on the basis of the individual

1 being a veteran (as defined in section 101 of title
2 38, United States Code) who is blind.”.

3 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
4 this section shall apply to benefits paid for months begin-
5 ning after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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