

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 249

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 30, 2003

Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and 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. RETENTION OF DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY**

4 **COMPENSATION FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES**

5 **REMARRYING AFTER AGE 55.**

6 (a) EXCEPTION TO TERMINATION OF BENEFITS

7 UPON REMARRIAGE.—Section 103(d)(2)(B) of title 38,

1 United States Code, is amended by inserting “1311 or”
2 after “under section”.

3 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) shall take effect on—

5 (1) the first day of the first month that begins
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act; or

7 (2) the first day of the fiscal year that begins
8 in the calendar year in which this Act is enacted, if
9 later than the date specified in paragraph (1).

10 (c) RETROACTIVE BENEFITS PROHIBITED.—No ben-
11 efit may be paid to any person by reason of the amend-
12 ment made by subsection (a) for any period before the
13 effective date specified in subsection (b).

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