

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4055

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 12, 2017

Mr. KILDEE introduced the following bill; which was 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Transparency For
5 Wounded Warriors Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DENIAL OF CLAIMS FOR TRAUMATIC INJURY PRO-**
2 **TECTION UNDER SERVICEMEMBERS' GROUP**
3 **LIFE INSURANCE.**

4 Section 1980A of title 38, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 section:

7 “(1) If a claim by a member under this section is de-
8 nied, the Secretary shall furnish to the member, at the
9 same time as the member is informed of such denial, a
10 detailed legal analysis for the reason of the denial and all
11 of the information the Secretary relied on in making that
12 decision. Any information not provided, or reasoning not
13 articulated, in the such analysis may not be used by the
14 Secretary to justify a further denial on appeal.”.

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