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H. R. 4146

To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve service disabled veterans' insurance.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 26, 2017

Mr. PEARCE 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 “Disabled Veterans Life
5 Insurance Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVEMENTS TO SERVICE DISABLED VETERANS’**
7 **INSURANCE.**

8 (a) TIME OF APPLICATION.—Section 1922 of title 38,
9 United States Code, is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) by striking “within two years from”
2 and inserting “within 10 years from”;

3 (B) by striking “two-year period” and in-
4 serting “10-year period”;

5 (C) by striking “or within two years after”
6 and inserting “or within 10 years after”;

7 (D) by striking “filed within two years
8 after” and inserting “filed within 10 years
9 after”; and

10 (E) by inserting after the third sentence
11 the following new sentence: “The Secretary may
12 waive, on a case-by-case basis, any of the time
13 limitations to apply for insurance under this
14 section if the Secretary determines that such
15 waiver is necessary because the veteran (or a
16 guardian, as the case may be) was not properly
17 informed of such insurance or because of any
18 other hardships experienced by the veteran (or
19 guardian).”; and

20 (2) in subsection (b)(1)—

21 (A) by striking “two-year period” and in-
22 serting “10-year period”; and

23 (B) by striking “two years” and inserting
24 “10 years”.

1 (b) PREMIUM RATES.—Subsection (a) of such section
2 is further amended—

3 (1) by striking “based on the Commissioners
4 1941 Standard Ordinary Table of Mortality” and in-
5 serting “based on the industry standard mortality
6 table selected by the Secretary (which shall be up-
7 dated on a quinquennial basis)”;

8 (2) by striking “based upon the Commissioners
9 1941 Standard Ordinary Table of Mortality” and in-
10 serting “based upon such industry standard mor-
11 tality table”; and

12 (3) by striking “The Annuity Table for 1949”
13 and inserting “an industry standard annuity table
14 selected by the Secretary (which shall be updated on
15 a quinquennial basis)”.

16 (c) AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS.—Such section is amend-
17 ed—

18 (1) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
19 following new sentence: “Notwithstanding section
20 1903, the amount of insurance under this subsection
21 may not exceed \$95,000 (as increased annually by
22 the percentage determined under section 3564(a) of
23 this title).”; and

1 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “\$10,000”
2 and inserting “the amount specified in the last sen-
3 tence of subsection (a)”.

4 (d) SUPPLEMENTAL AMOUNT.—Section 1922A(a) of
5 such title is amended by striking “\$30,000” and inserting
6 “\$115,000”.

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