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S. 111

To require the Secretary of Defense to establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 12, 2017

Mr. HELLER (for himself and Ms. HIRONO) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Filipino Veterans
5 Promise Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DETERMINATION OF CERTAIN SERVICE IN PHIL-**
 2 **IPPINES DURING WORLD WAR II.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in con-
 4 sultation with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and such
 5 military historians as the Secretary of Defense considers
 6 appropriate, shall establish a process to determine whether
 7 a covered individual served as described in subsection (a)
 8 or (b) of section 107 of title 38, United States Code, for
 9 purposes of determining whether such covered individual
 10 is eligible for benefits described in such subsections.

11 (b) COVERED INDIVIDUALS.—For purposes of this
 12 section, a covered individual is any individual who—

13 (1) claims service described in subsection (a) or
 14 (b) of section 107 of title 38, United States Code;
 15 and

16 (2) is not included in the Approved Revised Re-
 17 constructed Guerilla Roster of 1948, known as the
 18 “Missouri List”.

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