Vietnam Veterans of America – Legislative Update

House Veterans Affairs Committee Hearing

April 9, 2019

Pending Legislation

Time: 10:00am; Location; Longworth House Office Building Room 1334

Economic Opportunity Subcommittee (Chairman Mike Levin, D-Calif.) of House Veterans' Affairs Committee hearing on:

H.R.95, the "Homeless Veteran Families Act"; H.R.444, the "Reduce Unemployment for Veterans of All Ages Act of 2019"; H.R.1718, the "GI Education Benefits Fairness Act"; a discussion draft to amend title 38, U.S. Code, to make certain improvements to the educational assistance programs of the Veterans Affairs Department with respect to flight training programs and certain other programs of education; a discussion draft "Justice for Servicemembers Act": a discussion draft to amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 and title 38, U.S. Code. to expand eligibility for the HUD-VASH (HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing) program, to direct the Veterans Affairs secretary to submit annual reports to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding homeless veterans; a discussion draft "Homes for Our Heroes Act of 2019"; a discussion draft "Veteran Employment and Child Care Access Act"; a discussion draft "BRAVE (Burial Rights for America's Veterans' Efforts) Act"; a discussion draft to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans; a discussion draft "Navy SEAL Chief Petty Officer William "Bill" Mulder (Ret.) Transition Improvement Act"; a discussion draft "VET OPP (Veterans' Education, Transition, and Opportunity Prioritization Plan) Act"; a discussion draft to amend title 38, U.S. Code, to adjust certain limits on the guaranteed amount of a home loan under the home loan program of the Veterans Affairs Department; a discussion draft to amend title 38, U.S. Code, to make certain improvements to the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Scholarship program of the Veterans Affairs Department; a discussion draft to amend title 38, U.S. Code, to expand eligibility for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship to children and spouses of certain members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who die from service-connected disabilities; and a discussion draft to amend title 38, U.S. Code, to improve the ability of veterans to receive in-state tuition using educational assistance administered by the Veterans Affairs secretary.

Senate Veterans Affairs Committee Hearings

VA MISSION Act: Implementing the Veterans Community Care Program

Date: Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Time: 2:30 PM Location: Russell Senate Office Building SR-418

Agenda Panel I

Dr. Richard Stone, Executive in Charge, Veterans Health Administration

Accompanied by:

Dr. Kameron Matthews, Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Community Care, Veterans Health Administration Dr. Jennifer MacDonald, VA MISSION Act Lead, Veterans Health Administration

Panel II

Sharon Silas, Acting Director for Health Care, Government Accountability Office Adrian Atizado, Deputy National Legislative Director, Disabled American Veterans Merideth Randles, Principal and Consulting Actuary, Milliman