

115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 4322

To exclude from consideration as income under the housing assistance programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development amounts received by a family from the Department of Veterans Affairs for service-related disabilities of a member of the family, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Mr. Carbajal (for himself and Mr. Smucker) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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 "Home for the Brave
- 5 Act of 2017".

| 1 | SEC. 2. EXCLUSION OF VETERANS DISABILITY BENEFITS |
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| 2 | FROM INCOME. |
| 3 | The Department of Housing and Urban Development |
| 4 | Act (42 U.S.C. 3531 et seq.) is amended by adding at |
| 5 | the end the following new section: |
| 6 | "SEC. 15. EXCLUSION OF VETERANS DISABILITY BENEFITS |
| 7 | FROM INCOME. |
| 8 | "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any |
| 9 | amounts received by any member of a household or family |
| 10 | as disability compensation under chapter 11 of title 38, |
| 11 | United States Code, or dependency and indemnity com- |
| 12 | pensation under chapter 13 of such title, shall not be con- |
| 13 | sidered as income of such household or family for purposes |
| 14 | of— |
| 15 | "(1) determining the eligibility of such family |
| 16 | or household for assistance under any program for |
| 17 | housing assistance administered by the Secretary; |
| 18 | "(2) the amount of benefits payable to or on |
| 19 | behalf of such family or household under such pro- |
| 20 | gram; or |
| 21 | "(3) the amount of rent paid by such family or |
| 22 | household for occupancy of a dwelling unit assisted |
| 23 | under any such program.". |