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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4996

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 4996, AS AMENDED, by  
3 replacing everything after the enacting clause with the  
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Survivors Compensation Act is amended by  
6 adding Section 4 as follows:

7 (330 ILCS 100/4 new)

8 Sec. 4. Compensation in connection with deceased veterans  
9 of the Global War on Terrorism.

10 (a) The widow or widower, child or children, mother,  
11 father, persons standing in loco parentis, brothers and  
12 sisters, in the order named, of any deceased person if (i) that  
13 person was a resident of Illinois for at least 12 months  
14 immediately preceding entry into military service and (ii) that  
15 person's death was service-connected as a result of hostile  
16 action on or after September 11, 2001 and prior to such time as  
17 Congress declares such persons ineligible for the Global War on  
18 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal or the Global War on Terrorism  
19 Service Medal shall be paid \$3,000.

20 (b) If a preceding beneficiary fails to file a claim of  
21 compensation after the official notice of death, the Department  
22 of Veterans' Affairs may accept applications from succeeding  
23 beneficiaries, and such beneficiaries may then proceed to  
24 qualify upon submission of satisfactory proof of eligibility.

1       (c) No right or claim to compensation under this Section  
2 may be assigned.

3       (d) The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs has  
4 complete charge and control of the general scheme of payments  
5 authorized by this Section and shall adopt general rules for  
6 the making of those payments, for the ascertainment and  
7 selection of proper beneficiaries and the amount to which those  
8 beneficiaries are entitled, and for procedure.

9       (e) If the person to whom compensation is payable under  
10 this Section is under legal disability, the compensation shall  
11 be paid to the person legally vested with the care of the  
12 legally disabled person under the laws of his or her state of  
13 residence. If no such person has been so designated for the  
14 legally disabled person, payment shall be made to the chief  
15 officer of any hospital or institution under the supervision or  
16 control of any state or of the Veterans Administration of the  
17 United States in which the legally disabled person is placed,  
18 if the officer is authorized to accept moneys for the benefit  
19 of the incompetent. Any payments so made shall be held or used  
20 solely for the benefit of the legally disabled person.

21       As used in this Section, a person "under legal disability"  
22 means any person found to be so disabled by a court of  
23 competent jurisdiction of any state or the District of Columbia  
24 or by any adjudication officer of the Veterans Administration  
25 of the United States.

26       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
27 becoming law."