

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 6047  
OFFERED BY MR. BOST OF ILLINOIS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Sharri Briley and Eric  
3 Edmundson Veterans Benefits Expansion Act of 2026”.

**4 SEC. 2. INCREASE IN RATES OF CERTAIN DISABILITY COM-  
5                   PENSATION AND DEPENDENCY AND INDEM-  
6                   NITY COMPENSATION UNDER LAWS ADMINIS-  
7                   TERED BY SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-  
8                   FAIRS.**

9       (a) INCREASE TO RATES OF WARTIME DISABILITY  
10 COMPENSATION.—

11           (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1114 of title 38,  
12 United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
13 end the following new subsection:

14       “(u) In the case of a veteran eligible for a monthly  
15 aid and attendance allowance under subsection (r) or sub-  
16 section (t) of this section, the Secretary shall, in addition  
17 to the total amount of compensation for which the veteran

1 is eligible under this section, pay the veteran a supple-  
2 mental monthly allowance at the rate of \$833.33.”.

3 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY.—Sub-  
4 section (u) of such section (as added by paragraph  
5 (1)) shall take effect on December 1, 2026, and  
6 shall apply to months beginning on or after such  
7 date.

8 (b) INCREASE TO RATES OF DEPENDENCY AND IN-  
9 DEMNITY COMPENSATION.—Section 5312 of such title is  
10 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
11 section:

12 “(d)(1) Whenever there is an increase in benefit  
13 amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act  
14 (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) as a result of a determination  
15 made under section 215(i) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)),  
16 the Secretary shall, except as provided in paragraph (2),  
17 effective on the date of such increase in benefit amounts,  
18 increase the dollar amounts in effect for the payment of  
19 dependency and indemnity compensation by the Secretary  
20 under paragraph (1) and paragraph (3) of section 1311(a)  
21 of this title, as such amounts were in effect immediately  
22 before the date of such increase in benefit amounts pay-  
23 able under title II of the Social Security Act, by a percent-  
24 age equal to the sum of—

1           “(A) the percentage by which such benefit  
2           amounts are increased; and

3           “(B) one percent.

4           “(2) After the first increase under paragraph (1) to  
5           the dollar amounts in effect for the payment of depend-  
6           ency and indemnity compensation by the Secretary under  
7           paragraph (1) and paragraph (3) of section 1311(a) of  
8           this title, the Secretary shall carry out paragraph (1)(B)  
9           by substituting ‘one half of one percent’ for ‘one percent’.

10          “(3) Whenever there is an increase under paragraph  
11          (1) in amounts in effect for the payment of dependency  
12          and indemnity compensation, the Secretary shall publish  
13          such amounts, as increased pursuant to such paragraph,  
14          in the Federal Register at the same time as the material  
15          required by section 215(i)(2)(D) of the Social Security Act  
16          (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(2)(D)) is published by reason of a de-  
17          termination under section 215(i) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
18          415(i)).

19          “(4) The requirement to increase, pursuant to para-  
20          graph (1), the amounts in effect for the payment of de-  
21          pendency and indemnity compensation under paragraph  
22          (1) and paragraph (3) of section 1311 (a) of this title by  
23          the Secretary shall—

1           “(A) take effect on December 1, 2026, and  
2           shall apply with respect to months beginning on or  
3           after such date; and

4           “(B) terminate after the date on which the sec-  
5           ond increase to such amounts pursuant to such  
6           paragraph occurs.”.

7   **SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF WAIVERS OF FEES COLLECTED**  
8                   **FOR HOUSING LOANS GUARANTEED, IN-**  
9                   **SURED, OR MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF**  
10                   **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

11       Section 3729(b)(2) of such title is amended, in the  
12       loan fee table—

13           (1) by striking “June 9, 2034” each place it  
14           appears and inserting “September 30, 2036”;

15           (2) in subparagraph (E), by striking “0.5” both  
16           places it appears and inserting “1.40”; and

17           (3) in subparagraph (I), by striking “0.5” each  
18           place it appears and inserting “1.0”.

19   **SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF**  
20                   **PENSION.**

21       Section 5503(d)(7) of such title is amended by strik-  
22       ing “January 31, 2033” and inserting “September 30,  
23       2036”.

