

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit an annual report regarding performance awards and bonuses awarded to certain high-level employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. CASEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Department of Vet-
5 erans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORT ON PERFORMANCE AWARDS AND**
2 **BONUSES AWARDED TO CERTAIN HIGH-**
3 **LEVEL EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF**
4 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 7 of title 38, United
6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing new section:

8 **“§ 714. Annual report on performance awards and bo-**
9 **nuses awarded to certain high-level em-**
10 **ployees**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
12 end of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit to the
13 Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and the Committee on Ap-
14 propriations of the Senate and the Committee on Vet-
15 erans’ Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the
16 House of Representatives a report that contains, for the
17 most recent fiscal year ending before the submittal of the
18 report, a description of the performance awards and bo-
19 nuses awarded to Regional Office Directors of the Depart-
20 ment, Directors of Medical Centers of the Department,
21 and Directors of Veterans Integrated Service Networks.

22 “(b) ELEMENTS.—Each report submitted under sub-
23 section (a) shall include the following with respect to each
24 performance award or bonus awarded to an individual de-
25 scribed in such subsection:

26 “(1) The amount of each award or bonus.

1 “(2) The job title of the individual awarded the
2 award or bonus.

3 “(3) The location where the individual awarded
4 the award or bonus works.”.

5 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
6 at the beginning of chapter 7 of such title is amended by
7 inserting after the item relating to section 713 the fol-
8 lowing new item:

 “714. Annual report on performance awards and bonuses awarded to certain
 high-level employees.”.