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OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS  
PURSUANT TO  
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## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS,  
*Washington, D.C., June 28, 1979.*

HON. THOMAS P. O'NEILL, JR.,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: In accordance with Section 4(b) of the First Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 1980 (H. Con. Res. 107), the Committee on Veterans' Affairs submits the following report on its recommendations and the status of its actions with respect to new spending authority including all legislative savings, and other reforms, targeted by the First Concurrent Budget Resolution.

Sincerely,

RAY ROBERTS, *Chairman.*

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## STATUS OF PROPOSED NEW ENTITLEMENT LEGISLATION AND LEGISLATIVE SAVINGS TARGETED BY THE FIRST CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

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Mr. ROBERTS, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, submitted the following

### REPORT

STATUS REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED NEW ENTITLEMENT LEGISLATION AND LEGISLATIVE "COST-SAVINGS" TARGETED BY THE FIRST CONCURRENT BUDGET RESOLUTION

Pursuant to section 4(b) of the first concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1980, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs submits the following report on its recommendations and the status of its actions with respect to new spending authority including all legislative savings, and other reforms, targeted by the first concurrent budget resolution:

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## 700: VETERANS BENEFITS AND SERVICES

[In millions of dollars]

Legislative proposal	Budget authority	Outlays	Status
<b>I. NEW ENTITLEMENT AUTHORITY (629.0)</b>			
H.R. 2282—To provide an 8.3 percent cost-of-living increase in the rates of disability compensation for service-connected disabled veterans and an 8.3 percent increase in the dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of service-connected disabled veterans.	577.0	530.9	Reported to House June 28, 1979.
H.R. 4117—To improve and modernize the vocational rehabilitation program provided service-connected disabled veterans.	41.0	41.0	Oversight hearing on vocational rehabilitation program, Apr. 3, 1979.
H.R. 2018—Extension of eligibility for automobile adaptive equipment to certain service-connected disabled veterans.	6.4	6.4	Oversight hearing on automobile adaptive equipment program, June 8, 1979.
H.R. 597—To permit the exchange of 5-year level premium term policies of National Service Life Insurance to special endowment at age 96 plan.	.5	.5	Oversight hearing on insurance program, Mar. 14, 1979.
H.R. 2029—To extend to 120 days the period between notice of, and the effective date for, the reduction or discontinuance of compensation, dependency and indemnity compensation, or pension.	2.0	2.0	Bill pending in Subcommittee on Compensation, Pension, Insurance and Memorial Affairs.
H.R. 3071—To extend eligibility to certain dependents for benefits provided under the CHAMPVA program.	2.0	2.0	Bill pending in Subcommittee on Medical Facilities and Benefits.
Total.....	628.9	582.8	
	Estimated cost savings	Status	
<b>II. COST SAVINGS (-261.9)</b>			
H.R. 3745—To effect reimbursement from insurance carriers, employers, and other non-Federal sources for the cost of medical care and treatment to veterans with non-service-connected disabilities (effective Oct. 1, 1979).	-165.0		No action scheduled for reasons stated on page 19 of Report to the Committee on the Budget from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Mar. 15, 1979.
H.R. 3071—To limit payment for reimbursement of travel expenses of beneficiaries provided medical care for non-service-connected disabilities (effective Oct. 1, 1979).	-39.1		No action scheduled for reasons stated on page 20 of Report to the Committee on the Budget from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Mar. 15, 1979.
H.R. 3071—To eliminate 1 year after discharge presumptive service-connection for dental treatment (effective Oct. 1, 1979).	-39.5		No action scheduled for reasons stated on page 21 of Report to the Committee on the Budget from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Mar. 15, 1979.
H.R. 3071—To limit over-the-counter outpatient drugs, medicines, and supplies to certain veterans suffering from a non-service-connected disease or disability (effective Oct. 1, 1979).	-18.3		Do.
Total.....	-261.9		