

.....
(Original Signature of Member)

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recoup certain bonuses or awards paid to employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MILLER of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recoup certain bonuses or awards paid to employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO RECOUP BONUSES OR AWARDS**
2 **PAID TO EMPLOYEES OF DEPARTMENT OF**
3 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

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

7 **“§ 712. Recoupment of bonuses or awards paid to em-**
8 **ployees of Department.**

9 “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
10 retary may issue an order directing an employee of the
11 Department to repay the amount of any award or bonus
12 paid to the employee under title 5, including under chap-
13 ters 45 or 53 of such title, or this title if—

14 “(1) the Secretary determines such repayment
15 appropriate pursuant to regulations prescribed by
16 the Secretary to carry out this section; and

17 “(2) the employee is afforded notice and an op-
18 portunity for a hearing.”.

19 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
20 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
21 at the end the following new item:

“712. Recoupment of bonuses or awards paid to employees of Department.”.