

**H.R. 4285,**  
***the Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2019***

**Sec. 2. Extension of authority relating to vendee loans:** Under current law, VA is authorized to provide direct loans to buyers of VA-owned residences that the VA has pooled together through September 30, 2019. This provision would extend VA's authority through September 30, 2020.

**Sec. 3. Extension of authority for operation of the Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office in Manila, the Republic of the Philippines:** VA operates a regional office in Manila that provides services to World War II veterans who reside in the Philippines. This provision would extend the authority to operate that office through September 30, 2020.

**Sec. 4. Extension of authority for financial assistance for supportive services for very low-income veteran families in permanent housing:** The Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) program provides grants to organizations that provide supportive services to eligible veteran families that promote housing stability. The FY19 appropriated level is \$380M. This provision extends the SSVF grant at that level through September 2021.

**Sec. 5. Extension of temporary expansion of payments and allowances for beneficiary travel in connection with veterans receiving care from vet centers:** Public Law 112-154 authorized VA to pay travel allowances to and from Vet Centers for veterans who live in highly rural areas. This provision would authorize appropriations for the pilot program through September 30, 2020.

**Sec. 6. Technical Amendments:** This section makes several technical amendments to Title 38, United States Code.