

109TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 3531

To appropriate \$430,000,000 for medical care for veterans and \$70,000,000 to improve the security for personal data of veterans held by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 16, 2006

Mrs. MURRAY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

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 That the following sum is appropriated, out of any money
4 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the De-
5 partment of Veterans Affairs for the fiscal year ending
6 September 30, 2006, namely:

1 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
2 VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
3 MEDICAL SERVICES

4 For an additional amount for “Medical Services”,
5 \$430,000,000: *Provided*, That of the amount under this
6 heading, \$168,000,000 shall be available to address the
7 needs of servicemembers in need of mental health care,
8 including post-traumatic stress disorder: *Provided further*,
9 That of the amount under this heading, \$80,000,000 shall
10 be available for the provision of readjustment counseling
11 under section 1712A of title 38, United States Code (com-
12 monly referred to as “Vet Centers”): *Provided further*,
13 That of the amount under this heading \$182,000,000
14 shall be available to meet current and pending care and
15 treatment requirements: *Provided further*, That the
16 amount under this heading shall remain available until ex-
17 pended: *Provided further*, That the amount provided under
18 this heading is designated as an emergency requirement
19 pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Con-
20 gress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal
21 year 2006.

22 DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION
23 GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

24 For an additional amount for “General Operating
25 Expenses” for necessary expenses to improve the security

1 for personal data of veterans held by the Department of
2 Veterans Affairs and to provide remedial assistance to vet-
3 erans who have had personal data stolen from the Depart-
4 ment of Veterans Affairs, \$70,000,000: *Provided*, That
5 the amount under this heading shall remain available until
6 expended: *Provided further*, That the amount provided
7 under this heading is designated as an emergency require-
8 ment pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th
9 Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fis-
10 cal year 2006.

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