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# S. 129

To amend title 10, United States Code, to authorize certain disabled former prisoners of war to use Department of Defense commissary and exchange stores.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 21, 1997

Mr. INOUE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## 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. USE OF COMMISSARY AND EXCHANGE STORES**

4 **BY CERTAIN DISABLED FORMER PRISONERS**  
5 **OF WAR.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 54 of title 10, United  
7 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1064  
8 the following new section:

1 **“§ 1064a. Use of commissary stores by certain dis-**  
 2 **abled former prisoners of war**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Under regulations prescribed by  
 4 the Secretary of Defense, former prisoners of war de-  
 5 scribed in subsection (b) may use commissary and ex-  
 6 change stores.

7 “(b) COVERED INDIVIDUALS.—Subsection (a) applies  
 8 to any former prisoner of war who—

9 “(1) is separated from active duty in the armed  
 10 forces under honorable conditions; and

11 “(2) has a service-connected disability rated by  
 12 the Secretary of Veterans Affairs at 30 percent or  
 13 more.

14 “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

15 “(1) The term ‘former prisoner of war’ has the  
 16 meaning given the term in section 101(32) of title  
 17 38.

18 “(2) The term ‘service-connected’ has the  
 19 meaning given the term in section 101(16) of title  
 20 38.”.

21 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
 22 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting  
 23 after the item relating to section 1064 the following new  
 24 item:

“1064a. Use of commissary stores by certain disabled former prisoners of war.”.