

109TH CONGRESS  
2D 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.

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## 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

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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       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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