



VA CAREGIVER PROGRAM

PL 115-182, the VA MISSION Act of 2018

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- Improves and Expands VA Family Caregiver Program
- Requires Implementation of Information Technology System
- Modifies Annual Evaluation Report on Caregiver Program

If all goes well...

- **September 2018:** Initial report from VA for plan to implement IT system, plan to implement expansion, and resources needed.
- **October 2018:** Implementation of new IT system
- **October 2019:** Final report from VA reviewing new IT system, caregiver program, and any program modifications needed
- **October 2019:** *Anticipated* enrollment of veterans severely injured on or before May 7, 1975
- **October 2021:** *Anticipated* enrollment of severely injured veterans of all eras [May 8, 1975—September 10, 2001]

Additional Services and Supports:

- Financial planning services
- Legal services, including legal advice and consultation

Modifies Stipend Calculation:

Improvement for veterans with neurological/cognitive/behavioral injuries

- Must include the family caregiver's assessment of veteran's needs and limitations
- Degree to which the veteran can function safely and independently without family caregiver
- The amount of time family caregiver supervises, protects, or instructs veteran



Thank You!

Name

Position

Contact Info