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From our research, we believe that through the VA's acts, practices and courses of conduct, America's veterans and surviving spouses and children have lost an estimated \$15 Billion every year!

In 2015, we asked President Obama, through former US Attorney General Eric Holder, who had extracted well over \$110 billion from financial institutions, for a small portion of those funds for distribution to those disabled veterans in dire straits, and who were desperately in need ... we received nothing.

In 2015, not one Governor, not one State Senate President, and not one State House Speaker answered our plea for parity between America's disabled veterans living in their State, and the State's disabled Medicaid enrollees, including their newly released convicted felons.

For the past few years we have asked the 'media' for support ... nothing. We have asked a number of lawyers for support ... nothing. We sent proposals to America's leading Veterans Organizations ... nothing.

Only our United States Senators and Representative have shown concern, and tried their best to help ... but all they can do is to legislate ... they cannot enforce.

If America does not elect an 'outsider' or a 'tea party' candidate as the next President of the United States, we must conclude, as stated in our OP-ED piece ... that Americans care more about the inconvenience to illegal immigrants ... than any concern for America's disabled veterans.

Shame on America! Shame on Americans!

/s/ George Borchers
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George E. Borchers ... A 'Korean and Cold War Era' Disabled American Veteran

Presidents Day 2016

OP-ED ... America's Disabled Veterans ... alone and abandoned ... by the Veterans Administration, and those who put them in harm's way ... and then cast them aside!

The Evidence

United States. On January 1st 2014, because it was imbedded within Obamacare, a reported 1.5 million of the 5 million convicted felons who no longer were incarcerated, received *free* Medicaid disability benefits ... within 90 days. That week, 1,550,000 disabled and other veterans, and surviving spouses and children's Veterans Administration (VA) compensation applications, program reviews, appeals and other claims were still being processed ... and of those claims, 827,000 had been pending for more than 125 days, another 180,700 claims had taken 420 days to be processed, 16,800 took 587 days, and the processing for another 61,270 claims had taken 632 days for a resolution.

On this Presidents Day, the total inventory of VA applications, claims and appeals stands at 1,700,400 ... a 65% increase over the VA inventory for the same week Obamacare went into effect. And although first time disability applications has dropped by 26%, the inventory for all other pending applications jumped 350% ... and the inventory of claims pending for more than 125 days, rose by 125%. And still, another 700,000 newly released convicted felons have been given *free* Medicaid benefits.

The 50 United States. Medicaid is funded by the United States and each of the 50 United States. That said ... nationwide, disabled Medicaid enrollees average \$2,900 more a year than the VA's average compensation for America's disabled veterans.

And no State, 'red' or 'blue' is immune to this national disgrace. In the top five 'red' States, Alaska pays its disabled Medicaid enrollees \$16,591 more a year than what a disabled veteran living in the State receives from the VA. North Dakota pays \$13,966 more, Wyoming pays \$10,092 more, Arizona pays over \$8,500 more, and Ohio pays its disabled Medicaid enrollees \$6,200 more than its disabled veterans receive.

As for the blue States, New York pays its disabled Medicaid enrollees \$16,512 a year more than disabled veterans receive. Minnesota pays \$15,638 more, Connecticut pays \$12,033 more, and New Jersey pays its disabled Medicaid enrollees \$8,230 more than what disabled veterans receive, and California pays \$6,685. It should be noted DC pays its disabled Medicaid civilians \$14,461 more than its disabled veterans.

Comment

It is our belief the Veterans Administration, enabled by the federal and state executive branches disinterest, is immersed in a culture of duplicity ... and a culture, as pertaining to America's noble veterans, possessing a 'mind-set' to re-distribute, through other agencies, directly or indirectly, veterans entitlements ... to so many who are undeserving ... and in an amount so unworthy ... such that the VA has singlehandedly created a bureaucratic federal agency that would be unrecognizable by our Founding Fathers.

It appears to us, the VA has twisted its priorities and no longer cares, if they ever did, about America's disabled veterans ... nor, we believe, does the current President, and the past Presidents and Governors who

have put their honored military in harm's way ... nor the Generals and Admirals. What is disheartening to us is ... millions of Americans worry more about the inconvenience to illegal immigrants for having to show an ID to vote, or to get a driver's license ... than any concern for America's disabled veterans.

What country, besides the **United States**, enables newly released convicted felons to receive free health care benefits within 90 days ... while disabled veterans must wait months for their benefit just to be processed ... and 55 of its veterans die every day before receiving *one cent* of their VA compensation entitlement?

What nation, besides the **United States**, enables illegal immigrants access to medical care at little or no cost ... while the children of the nation's mortally wounded combatants wait 386 days for their compensation ... and veterans pay the VA \$24 for a drug that illegal immigrants can get for \$10, and others can get for free?

What caring nation, besides the **United States**, allows its civilians to receive on average, more economic benefits than the nation's wounded warriors, and so often for the very same injury ... while 20 of its disabled and other veterans, and at least one active duty service member ... commits suicide every day?

And what civilized country, besides the **United States**, allows 50,000 veterans, 35% of whom are African-American, and 50% have serious mental problems and should have been classified as mentally disabled and receive a just compensation ... to roam the streets each and every night looking for a roof over their heads?

Perhaps The Time Has Come ...

For every American to reevaluate whom they voted for in the past that was and still is responsible for the sad state of America's disabled veterans ... and we pray that when they reach the conclusion that a change in the Administrations at the federal and the state levels is necessary and demanded, they will tell the members of their family, their friends, neighbors, associates, co-workers ... and should they be an executive or publisher in the print, broadcast and/or blogosphere 'media', we hope they will tell their readers, subscribers, bloggers and listeners to select an 'outsider' or 'tea party' candidate to be President of the United States. Then we ...

A disabled American veteran ... will be grateful!

Respectfully submitted,

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In memory of Tom Andrews and Fred Buresch, friends and roommates, died while serving their beloved America!