

103^D CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4701

To amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and the Philippine Scouts to have been active service for purposes of benefits under programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 30, 1994

Mr. FILNER (for himself and Mr. EVANS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Filipino Veterans Eq-
5 uity Act of 1994".

1 **SEC. 2. CERTAIN SERVICE IN THE ORGANIZED MILITARY**
2 **FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES DEEMED TO BE**
3 **ACTIVE SERVICE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 107 of title 38, United
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) by striking “not” after “Army of the
8 United States, shall”; and

9 (B) by striking “, except benefits un-
10 der—” and all that follows and inserting a pe-
11 riod; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) by striking “not” after “Armed Forces
14 Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945 shall”; and

15 (B) by striking “except—” and all that fol-
16 lows and inserting a period.

17 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

18 (1) HEADING.—The heading of such section is
19 amended to read as follows:

20 **“§ 107. Certain service in organized military forces of**
21 **the Philippines deemed to be active serv-**
22 **ice”.**

23 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The item relating
24 to such section in the table of sections at the begin-
25 ning of chapter 1 of such title is amended to read
26 as follows:

“107. Certain service in organized military forces of the Philippines deemed to be active service.”.

1 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by this
3 Act shall take effect on October 1, 1994.

4 (b) APPLICABILITY.—No benefits shall accrue to any
5 person for any period before the effective date of this Act
6 by reason of the amendments made by this Act.

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