

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO H.R. 2398  
OFFERED BY MR. HECK OF WASHINGTON**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**1 SECTION 1. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR HUD-VASH.**

2 (a) HUD PROVISIONS.—Section 8(o)(19) of the  
3 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.  
4 1437f(o)(19)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing new subparagraph:

6 “(D) DEFINITION OF VETERAN.—In this  
7 paragraph, the term ‘veteran’ has the meaning  
8 given that term in section 2002(b) of title 38,  
9 United States Code.”.

10 (b) VHA CASE MANAGERS.—Subsection (b) of sec-  
11 tion 2003 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by  
12 adding at the end the following: “In the case of vouchers  
13 provided under the HUD-VASH program under section  
14 8(o)(19) of such Act, for purposes of the preceding sen-  
15 tence, the term ‘veteran’ shall have the meaning given  
16 such term in section 2002(b) of this title.”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than once  
3 each year, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit  
4 to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and  
5 the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives a report on the homelessness services provided  
7 under programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs,  
8 including services under HUD–VASH program under sec-  
9 tion 8(o)(1) of the United States Housing Act of 1937  
10 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(19)).

11 (b) INCLUDED INFORMATION.—Each such annual re-  
12 port shall include, with respect to the year preceding the  
13 submittal of the report, a statement of the number of eligi-  
14 ble individuals who were furnished such homelessness  
15 services and the number of individuals furnished such  
16 services under each such program, disaggregated by the  
17 number of men who received such services and the number  
18 of women who received such services, and such other infor-  
19 mation as the Secretary considers appropriate.

