

THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA

PAUL E. BOLDING POST 7

2343 Riverside Drive

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Resolution No. 2026-0002

Subject: Opposition to the Taking Care of America's Veterans Act (TCAVA)

Origin: Paul E. Bolding American Legion Post 7

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the American Legion is a grassroots, resolution-based organization whose official positions on legislative matters are established through resolutions adopted by the National Convention and the National Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Resolution No. 187 (2016) and Resolution No. 19 (2023) establish the Legion's opposition to administrative or legislative measures that would diminish, restrict, or eliminate any portion of the veterans' disability compensation program; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Resolution No. 38 (2016) supports exempting Department of Veterans Affairs benefits from Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) requirements and opposes efforts to finance veterans' benefits through budgetary offsets; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Resolution No. 33 (2022) supports retaining Diagnostic Code 6260 for tinnitus as a separately compensable disability and reaffirms The American Legion's commitment to protecting existing disability compensation; and

WHEREAS, provisions contained within the proposed Taking Care of America's Veterans Act (TCAVA), including proposed changes affecting future disability compensation and the use of budgetary offsets, are viewed by the membership of Paul E. Bolding American Legion Post 7 as inconsistent with the established positions of The American Legion; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Paul E. Bolding American Legion Post 7, Department of Georgia, at its regular meeting assembled on _____, hereby expresses its opposition to the Taking Care of America's Veterans Act (TCAVA) in its present form because its provisions are inconsistent with the positions previously established by The American Legion through adopted resolutions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Paul E. Bolding Post 7 reaffirms the fundamental mission of The American Legion to serve as an advocate for veterans, servicemembers, their families, and survivors, and calls upon the organization to actively oppose legislation that would reduce, restrict, diminish, or otherwise adversely affect veterans' earned benefits. The Post further urges all levels of The American Legion to remain faithful to the resolutions adopted by its membership and to place the interests and earned benefits of veterans above legislative compromises; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the American Legion Department of Georgia, the National Executive Committee, the National Legislative Commission, and the National Commander for consideration and appropriate action.