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To authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

- Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- That, subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, the Ad-
- 4 ministrator of Veterans' Affairs is authorized and directed to
- provide or assist in providing an automobile or other con-
- 20 the veteran is purchasing under sales agreemen veyance, by paying on the purchase price of such auto-
- mobile or other conveyance not to exceed \$1,600, including
- equipment with such special attachments and devices as
- 23 maintenance, or replacement of only an the Administrator may deem necessary, for each veteran of veyance provided under the prevision
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- 1 laws administered by the Veterans' Administration for any
- 2 of the following:
- 3 (a) Loss or permanent loss of use of one or both feet;
- 4 (b) Loss or permanent loss of use of one or both hands;
- 5 (c) Permanent impairment of vision of both eyes of the
- 6 following status: Central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in
- 7 the better eye, with corrective glasses, or central visual acuity
- 8 of more than 20/200 if there is a field defect in which the
- 9 peripheral field has contracted to such an extent that the
- widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no
- 11 greater than twenty degrees in the better eye.
- SEC. 2. The benefits of section 1 shall be granted under

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- 13 the following conditions:
- (a) That under such regulations as the Administrator
 - 15 may prescribe the furnishing of such automobile or other
- 16 conveyance, or the assisting therein, shall be accomplished
- 17 by the Administrator paying the total purchase price, if not
- 18 in excess of \$1,600, or the amount of \$1,600, if the total
- 19 purchase price is in excess of \$1,600, to the seller from whom
- 20 the veteran is purchasing under sales agreement between the
- 21 seller and the veteran.
- (b) The United States shall not be liable for the repair,
- 23 maintenance, or replacement of any automobile or other con-
- 24 veyance provided under the provisions of the first section of

2 any damage caused by the use of such automobile or other

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- 4 (c) No veteran shall be entitled to receive more than
- 5 one automobile or other conveyance under the provisions of
- 6 this Act; and no veteran who has received or may receive
- 7 an automobile or other conveyance under the provisions of
- 8 the paragraph under the heading "Veterans' Administra-
- 9 tion" in the First Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1947,
- 10 shall be entitled to receive an automobile or other conveyance
- 11 under the provisions of this Act.
- 12 (d) The benefits provided in this Act shall not be avail-
- 13 able to any veteran who has not made application for such
- 14 benefits to the Administrator within three years after the
- 15 effective date of this Act, or within three years after the date
- 16 of the veteran's discharge from the armed forces if the veteran
- 17 shall not be discharged until on or after said effective date.
- 18 (e) Any automobile or other conveyance furnished any
- 19 veteran pursuant to this Act shall be exempt from the claims
- 20 of creditors, and shall not be liable to attachment, levy, or
- 21 seizure by or under any legal or equitable process whatever.
- 22 (f) After enactment of this Act, any automobile or
- 23 other conveyance heretofore furnished any veteran under the
- 24 provisions of the paragraph heading "Veterans' Administra-

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