

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

4 HOUSE
5 RESOLUTION 1041

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8 AS INTRODUCED

9 A Resolution urging the United States Congress to
10 resist implementation of any changes to the Aid and
11 Attendance Pension that would have a negative impact
12 on Oklahoma veterans.

13 WHEREAS, the Aid and Attendance Pension is administered by the
14 United States Department of Veterans Affairs and provides a monthly
15 tax-free cash benefit to qualified wartime veterans and their
16 spouses to help pay for assisted living, nursing home and in-home
17 care; and

18 WHEREAS, survivors of veterans that require the aid and
19 attendance of another person are eligible for and rely on the
20 benefit; and

21 WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that about
22 300,000 veterans currently receive the benefit; and

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced plans to
2 modify the eligibility requirements that would make it harder for
3 veterans to qualify for the pension benefits.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

6 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives strongly urges the
7 United States Congress to do everything within its power to resist
8 the implementation of any reduction or change to the benefits
9 provided by the Aid and Attendance Pension that would have a
10 negative impact on Oklahoma veterans.

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