

The following documents and files provide the background discussion on collecting Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) data and the final decision reached by the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission at its public meeting on May 19, 2006.

### **Preliminary Commission Documents**

1. [Commission Overview of SSDI](#) – Mr. Ray Wilburn
2. [Summary of Legal Opinion](#) – Memo by Donald E. Zeglin
3. Commission [Press Release](#) on SSDI, May 8, 2006

### **Congressional Letters**

- Clarification of Congressional Intent on [SSDI](#) (multiple documents)
- Letter from [Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth](#), May 2, 2006
- Letter from [Senator Tim Johnson](#), May 5, 2006
- Letter from [Senator Daniel K. Akaka](#), May 12, 2006

**Veterans Service Organizations** – Panel presenting to the Commission on the subject of SSDI data collection at the May 19, 2006 public meeting:

- Veterans of Foreign Wars ([VFW et al](#)) – Mr. Gerald T. Manar [Also representing Disabled American Veterans (DAV), The American Legion, Blinded Veterans of America (BVA) and the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH)]
- [AMVETS](#) – Mr. Jim Doran
- Vietnam Veterans of America ([VVA](#)) – Mr. Rick Weidman
- Paralyzed Veterans of America ([PVA](#)) – Mr. Carl Blake
- Submitting for the Record: Military Officers Association of America ([MOAA](#))

**Congressional Budget Office ([CBO](#)) Presentation on Researching Benefits** - Ms. Allison Percy

**Commission Decision on SSDI Data Collection** – [Motion](#) and after the meeting [Press Release](#) on the SSDI Decision