End federal garnishment of earned survivor benefit plan income for active duty widows & widows of military retirees
National Military and Veterans Alliance

Every year, 63,000 survivors whose spouse died from military service are penalized up to $12,000 by a law that requires deducting their VA Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) from their military Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuities.

We need your help to end this grossly unfair law that makes a surviving spouse fund their own VA death benefit from the SBP annuity -- which was purchased by the servicemember.

Upon retirement, military members can elect to pay a monthly premium for the SBP, a DoD program that, upon a retiree's death, pays widows up to 55% of the monthly retirement amount for the remainder of the widow's life. Active duty widows are automatically covered at 55%.

Disability & Indemnification Compensation is a monthly Department of Veterans Affairs annuity paid to a widow if death is service connected.

**Take Action Now!** Urge the President to pressure Congress to amend the Title 10 law that causes financial hardship by allowing the government to garnish SBP payments in order to offset DIC payments.

Military widows have sacrificed greatly. Please help to end the widow income garnishment.

**Click on the link below.** This is a new effort to get more attention to eliminate the SBP/DIC offset. Please sign and share with your friends and family.

**This effort needs 100,000 signatures by March 31, 2017 to get a response from the White House.**


There is no justification for the offset that occurs and we demand full repeal of the law. DIC for a service-connected death should be added to SBP purchased by the servicemember, not substituted for it. Those who give their lives for their country deserve fairer compensation for their surviving spouses and families.