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I would like to thank Senator Rick Scott for the opportunity to serve on this committee for Aging Veterans and their needs for better Health Care.

Many veterans go through trauma and financial situations because they cannot afford assisted living facilities, which can become a hardship and economic issue. When a veteran is seventy to one hundred years old, the opportunity is very short for financial and economic success.

Congress provided money to the VA for each Veteran. Some of that money should go to Veterans to pay for assisted living facilities.

When Veterans ask for help from the VA, it depends on their disability rating. The needs are no different from an eighty-year-old Veteran with thirty percent disability than an eighty-year-old with ninety percent disability who needs help with their assisted living facilities.

All Veterans who have served their country should be treated the same. We should also reach out to all our Lady Veterans who have been exposed to chemical and physical trauma.

On behalf of the VFW and the Department of Florida, I want to thank Senator Scott and hope this committee will help our aging Veterans.

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