c. H.R. 2910--amended to authorize several important changes to the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance Program, which are:

(1) Enlarge the classes of persons eligible for SGLI to include cadets at the U. S. Military, Air Force, or Coast Guard Academy, and Midshipmen at the U. S. Naval Academy, who inadvertently were omitted from such coverage since they do not serve in a "commissioned, warrant or enlisted rank or grade;"

(2) Terminate SGLI coverage at the end of the 31st day of a continuous period of absence without leave, instead of the date such absence commenced as provided in existing law;

(3) Terminate SGLI coverage at end of the 31st day of a continuous period of (a) confinement by civilian authorities under a sentence adjudged by a civilian court or (b) confinement by military authorities under a court-martial sentence involving total foreiture of pay and allowances;

(4) Terminate the right to convert the group insurance to an individual policy while on active duty, and limit the effective date of such conversions to the 121st day after separation or release from active duty--the day after the normal termination date of SGLI coverage. In accordance with a previous recommendation, the Commission recommends that conversions be effective the day following termination of SGLI coverage--6 months after separation.

(5) Authorize payment of matured SGLI to a minor widow on her own behalf in a manner similar to that authorized under present law for National Service Life Insurance;

(6) Specifically exempt SGLI benefit payments from taxation, claims of creditors, and liability to attachment, levy, or seizure as provided in existing law (38 U.S.C. 3101 (a)) for other benefits due or to become due under laws administered by the Veterans Administration;

(7) Provide that in the event a serviceman is totally disabled at the time of separation or release from active duty, his SGLI coverage would continue one year after separation, or until his disability ceases to be total in degree, whichever is earlier. The Commission endorses the principle of this proposal as modified by a previous recommendation.

(8) Provide coverage for ROTC members, cadets, and midshipmen who serve on active duty for training for 31 days or more while attending summer field training or practice cruises;