

A monetary distinction exists between identical disablement based on whether it was acquired during wartime or peacetime service--peacetime rates are 80% of the amount payable if the condition were related to wartime service. No distinction is contained in the law between wartime disablement caused by routine service and those injuries incurred as a result of combat.

The Commission believes injuries or diseases incurred as a result of combat should receive special consideration. It therefore recommends that the Veterans Administration make a study of the possibility of establishing special allowances for death, injury, or disease incurred in combat.