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**Heller Meets with VA Secretary Eric Shinseki**

**(Washington, D.C.) –** U.S. Senator Dean Heller (R-NV) issued the following statement after meeting with Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Secretary Eric Shinseki today:

“As a member of the Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee, I am going to make every effort to ensure Nevada veterans are taken care of. Today, I sat down with Secretary Eric Shinseki to discuss the year ahead for Nevada’s growing veteran population. We had a productive discussion about changes to [TRICARE Prime coverage](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=a78a5f95-e82f-4aa3-ac97-c6f204fadfe0), the [backlog of VA claims in the Silver State](http://www.mynews4.com/news/local/story/Heller-and-Amodei-tour-VA-office/0P7cNmsYSECprJwdb6LB5Q.cspx?rss=3298), and the [growing population of homeless veterans](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=8ca06f54-b765-4816-8c6b-8e721cac48cf). After everything our heroes have done for us, the least we can do is make sure they are afforded the very best treatment our country can provide.

“Secretary Shinseki and I also discussed [Nevada’s Filipino veterans](http://heller.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/pressreleases?ID=7562aef9-10df-40ce-8b37-bd3dcd887970) awaiting compensation for their service during World War II. Those who served in our Armed Forces should never have to question whether they will receive the benefits promised to them. I offered my help to the Administration’s Interagency Working Group designed to address this issue and look forward to working with Secretary Shinseki to find a solution for these veterans,” said Senator Dean Heller.



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