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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 7, 2010

Referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT

To require reports on the management of Arlington National
Cemetery.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. REPORTS ON MANAGEMENT OF ARLINGTON**
2 **NATIONAL CEMETERY.**

3 (a) REPORT ON GRAVESITE DISCREPANCIES.—Not
4 later than one year after the date of the enactment of this
5 Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the com-
6 mittees of Congress specified in subsection (c) a report
7 setting forth an accounting of the gravesites at Arlington
8 National Cemetery, Virginia. The accounting shall—

9 (1) specify whether gravesite locations at Ar-
10 lington National Cemetery are correctly identified,
11 labeled, and occupied; and

12 (2) set forth a plan of action, including the re-
13 sources required and a proposed schedule, to imple-
14 ment remedial actions to address deficiencies identi-
15 fied pursuant to the accounting.

16 (b) GAO REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT
17 OF CONTRACTS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
20 Comptroller General of the United States shall sub-
21 mit to the committees of Congress specified in sub-
22 section (c) a report on the management and over-
23 sight of contracts at Arlington National Cemetery.

24 (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-
25 graph (1) shall include the following:

1 (A) The number, dollar amount, and dura-
2 tion of current contracts at Arlington National
3 Cemetery over the simplified acquisition thresh-
4 old.

5 (B) The number, dollar amount, and dura-
6 tion of current contracts for automation of bur-
7 ial operations at Arlington National Cemetery,
8 including contracts relating to the Total Ceme-
9 tery Management System (TCMS), the Geo-
10 graphic Information System (GIS), the Inter-
11 ment Scheduling System (ISS), the Interment
12 Management System (IMS), and new or modi-
13 fied versions of the Burial Operations Support
14 System (BOSS) of the Department of Veterans
15 Affairs.

16 (C) An assessment of the management and
17 oversight by the Executive Director of the Army
18 National Cemeteries Program of the contracts
19 covered by subparagraphs (A) and (B), includ-
20 ing the use of and actions taken for that pur-
21 pose by the Corps of Engineers and the Na-
22 tional Capital Region Contracting Center of the
23 Army Contracting Command.

24 (D) An assessment of the actions taken by
25 the Executive Director of the Army National

1 Cemeteries Program in response to the findings
2 and recommendations of the Inspector General
3 of the Army in the report entitled “Report of
4 Investigation and Special Inspection of Arlington
5 National Cemetery Final Report (Case 10–
6 04)”, dated June 9, 2010.

7 (E) An assessment of the implementation
8 of the following:

9 (i) Army Directive 2010–04 on En-
10 hancing the Operations and Oversight of
11 the Army National Cemeteries Program,
12 dated June 10, 2010, including, without
13 limitation, an evaluation of the sufficiency
14 of all contract management and oversight
15 procedures, current and planned informa-
16 tion and technology systems, applications,
17 and contracts, current organizational
18 structure and manpower, and compliance
19 with and execution of all plans, reviews,
20 studies, evaluations, and requirements
21 specified in the Army Directive.

22 (ii) The recommendations and actions
23 proposed by the Army National Cemeteries
24 Advisory Commission with respect to Ar-
25 lington National Cemetery.

1 (F) An assessment of the adequacy of cur-
2 rent practices at Arlington National Cemetery
3 to provide information, outreach, and support
4 to families of individuals buried at Arlington
5 National Cemetery regarding procedures to de-
6 tect and correct current errors in burials at Ar-
7 lington National Cemetery.

8 (G) An assessment of the feasibility and
9 advisability of transferring jurisdiction of Ar-
10 lington National Cemetery and the United
11 States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National
12 Cemetery to the Department of Veterans Af-
13 fairs, and an assessment of the feasibility and
14 advisability of the sharing of jurisdiction of
15 such facilities between the Department of De-
16 fense and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

17 (3) SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLD DE-
18 FINED.—In this subsection, the term “simplified ac-
19 quisition threshold” has the meaning provided that
20 term in section 4 of the Office of Federal Procure-
21 ment Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 403).

22 (c) SPECIFIED COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The
23 committees of Congress specified in this subsection are—

24 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the
25 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental

1 Affairs, and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of
2 the Senate; and

3 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the
4 Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,
5 and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the
6 House of Representatives.

7 (d) REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ARMY DIREC-
8 TIVE ON ARMY NATIONAL CEMETERIES PROGRAM.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army
10 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-
11 gress reports on execution of and compliance with
12 Army Directive 2010–04 on Enhancing the Oper-
13 ations and Oversight of the Army National Ceme-
14 teries Program, dated June 10, 2010. Each such re-
15 port shall include, for the preceding 270 days or
16 year (as applicable), a description and assessment of
17 the following:

18 (A) Execution of and compliance with
19 every section of the Army Directive for Arling-
20 ton National Cemetery, including, without limi-
21 tation, an evaluation of the sufficiency of all
22 contract management and oversight procedures,
23 current and planned information and tech-
24 nology systems, applications, and contracts,
25 current organizational structure and manpower,

(B) The adequacy of current practices at Arlington National Cemetery to provide information, outreach, and support to families of those individuals buried at Arlington National Cemetery regarding procedures to detect and correct current errors in burials at Arlington National Cemetery.

(2) PERIOD AND FREQUENCY OF SUBMITTAL.—

A report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted not later than 270 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every year thereafter for the next 2 years.

Passed the Senate December 4, 2010.

Attest: NANCY ERICKSON,
Secretary.