

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5084

To direct the Secretary of the Army to reserve a certain number of burial plots at Arlington National Cemetery for individuals who have been awarded the Medal of Honor, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 2016

Ms. TITUS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medal of Honor Leg-
5 acy Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. BURIAL PLOTS AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEME-**
2 **TERY FOR INDIVIDUALS AWARDED THE**
3 **MEDAL OF HONOR.**

4 (a) **RESERVATION.**—Of the number of in-ground bur-
5 ial plots available at Arlington National Cemetery as of
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
7 the Army shall reserve 100 such plots to inter deceased
8 individuals who have been awarded the Medal of Honor.

9 (b) **TERMINATION.**—The requirement under sub-
10 section (a) shall terminate on the date on which the Sec-
11 retary of the Army to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs
12 and the Committees on Armed Services of the House of
13 Representatives and the Senate a report on the interment
14 and inurnment capacity of Arlington National Cemetery
15 that includes—

16 (1) the estimated date that the Secretary deter-
17 mines the cemetery will reach maximum interment
18 and inurnment capacity; and

19 (2) in light of the unique and iconic meaning of
20 the cemetery to the United States, recommendations
21 for legislative actions and nonlegislative options that
22 the Secretary determines necessary to ensure that
23 the maximum interment and inurnment capacity of
24 the cemetery is not reached until well into the fu-
25 ture, including such actions and options with respect
26 to—

1 (A) redefining eligibility criteria for inter-
2 ment and inurnment in the cemetery; and

3 (B) considerations for additional expansion
4 opportunities beyond the current boundaries of
5 the cemetery.

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