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S 1282

A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish national cemeteries for geographically underserved populations of veterans, and for other purposes.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Jun 18, 2003

Current Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

Latest Action: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held. (Jul 10, 2003) Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/senate-bill/1282

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Graham, Bob [D-FL]

Party: Democratic • State: FL • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jun 18, 2003
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	$R \cdot AL$		Jun 18, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Jul 10, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 18, 2003)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to: (1) identify the ten burial service areas in the United States that are most in need of a new national cemetery in order to ensure that 90 percent of the veterans who reside in each such area live within 75 miles of a national cemetery; (2) establish a national cemetery in each identified area; and (3) carry out advance planning in FY 2004 for the establishment of such cemeteries.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 10, 2003: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.
- Jun 18, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 18, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8134-8135)
- Jun 18, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S8135)