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Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2005

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 15, 2005)

Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2005 - Increases the authorized allowance for burial and funeral expenses for deceased veterans who: (1) at the time of death were in receipt of veterans' disability compensation or veterans' pension benefits; or (2) were veterans of any war or were discharged or released from active military service for a service-connected disability and for whom there is no next of kin or sufficient resources to cover funeral and burial costs. Increases the burial plot allowance for veterans who, at the time of death, were receiving hospital or nursing home care in or through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Authorizes the annual adjustment of such allowances based on increases in Social Security benefits.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 18, 2006: Executive Comment Received from Veterans' Affairs.
- Feb 16, 2006: Executive Comment Requested from Veterans' Affairs.
- Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
- Feb 15, 2005: Introduced in House
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