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HR 831

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the allowance for burial expenses of certain veterans buried in private or State-owned cemeteries.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Feb 15, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. (Apr 4, 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)

Increases from \$300 to \$1,000 the burial plot allowance for a veteran who dies in a Department of Veterans Affairs facility or a facility providing Department-contracted care.

Includes such allowance under authorized adjustments tied to increases under title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) of the Social Security Act.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
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