

## HR 6073

Dignified Burial of Veterans Act of 2012

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**Chamber:** House

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 29, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3202	Related bill	<b>Jan 10, 2013:</b> Became Public Law No: 112-260.

Dignified Burial of Veterans Act of 2012 - Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) to furnish a casket or urn of sufficient quality for a dignified burial for the burial in a national cemetery of a deceased veteran with no next of kin, or other person claiming the body of the deceased veteran, and who is without sufficient resources to cover burial and funeral expense. Prohibits the furnishing of such casket or urn in the case of a veteran convicted of a federal or state capital crime.

Requires the Secretary, in the case of a deceased veteran with no next of kin and without sufficient resources to cover funeral and burial expenses, to ensure that the entity responsible for transporting the body to a national cemetery for burial notifies the VA as to whether such veteran was cremated and steps taken to ensure that such veteran has no next of kin.

Directs the Secretary to report to the congressional veterans committees on VA compliance with industry standards for caskets and urns.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jun 29, 2012:** Introduced in House
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