

HR 8063

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to posthumously award the Distinguished Service Cross to William D. Owens for his valorous actions from June 6, 1944, to June 8, 1944, during World War II at La Fiere Bridge in Normandy, France, while serving with the 505th Parachute Infantry.

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Apr 18, 2024

Current Status: Received in the Senate.

Latest Action: Received in the Senate. (May 9, 2024)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Apr 18, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Discharged From	May 8, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 4638	Related bill	Jul 8, 2024: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 433.

Summary (as of Apr 18, 2024)

This bill authorizes the Department of the Army to posthumously award William D. Owens the Distinguished Service Cross, regardless of statutory time limitations for providing such an award, for acts of valor at La Fiere Bridge in Normandy, France, from June 6, 1944, to June 8, 1944. He was previously awarded the Bronze Star Medal for such acts.

Actions Timeline

- **May 9, 2024:** Received in the Senate.
- **May 8, 2024:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H2987)
- **May 8, 2024:** Mr. Kelly (MS) asked unanimous consent to discharge from committee and consider.
- **May 8, 2024:** Committee on Armed Services discharged.
- **May 8, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR H2987)
- **May 8, 2024:** On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR H2987)
- **May 8, 2024:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 18, 2024:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 18, 2024:** Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.