

## HR 4284

Small Cemetery Conveyance Act

**Congress:** 119 (2025–2027, Current)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Jul 2, 2025

**Current Status:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and F

**Latest Action:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Mar 17, 2026)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hurd, Jeff [R-CO-3]	R · CO		Dec 17, 2025

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 2, 2025
Agriculture Committee	House	Discharged From	Jan 14, 2026
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 17, 2026
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 18, 2025

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Small Cemetery Conveyance Act

This bill authorizes the Forest Service to convey, without a payment or exchange in land, a cemetery to a state government, local government, Indian tribe, or certain community land grant that has a bona fide interest or historic claim to the cemetery. This authorization applies to up to 40 acres of land that was used, or previously used, as a cemetery, including up to 1 acre adjacent to the land used as a cemetery.

The conveyed land must continue to be used as a cemetery. If it is not used for that purpose, the Forest Service may revert the land and any improvements back to the United States.

The Forest Service may waive certain conveyance costs upon the demonstrated need of a state government, local government, Indian tribe, or community land grant.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 17, 2026:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
- **Mar 16, 2026:** Mr. Westerman moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 16, 2026:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2510-2511)
- **Mar 16, 2026:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4284.
- **Mar 16, 2026:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H2510)
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- **Mar 16, 2026:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 16, 2026:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Jan 14, 2026:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 119-454, Part I.
- **Jan 14, 2026:** Committee on Agriculture discharged.
- **Jan 14, 2026:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 389.
- **Dec 17, 2025:** Subcommittee on Federal Lands Discharged
- **Dec 17, 2025:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held
- **Dec 17, 2025:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 18, 2025:** Subcommittee Hearings Held
- **Sep 11, 2025:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Jul 2, 2025:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 2, 2025:** Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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