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# H. R. 761

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the eligibility of parents of certain deceased veterans for interment in national cemeteries.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 28, 2009

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. INTERMENT IN NATIONAL CEMETERIES OF**  
4               **PARENTS OF CERTAIN DECEASED VETERANS.**

5       (a) INTERMENT OF PARENTS OF CERTAIN DE-  
6       CEASED VETERANS.—Section 2402 of title 38, United  
7       States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
8       lowing new paragraph:

9       “(9) If the Secretary determines there is enough  
10      space in open national cemeteries, the parent of a person

1 listed in any of paragraphs (1) through (4) or paragraph  
2 (7) who, at the time of the parent's death, does not have  
3 a spouse, surviving spouse, or child who has been interred,  
4 or who, if deceased, would be eligible to be interred, in  
5 a national cemetery pursuant to paragraph (5).”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraph (9) of section  
7 2402 of title 38, United States Code, shall apply with re-  
8 spect to the death of an eligible parent on or after the  
9 date of the enactment of this Act.

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