

Public Law 94-495  
94th Congress

An Act

To authorize the Architect of the Capitol to perform certain work on and maintain the historical sections of the Congressional Cemetery and to study and formulate proposals for renovation and permanent maintenance of such sections by the United States.

Oct. 14, 1976  
[S. 3441]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That (a) subject to the provisions of subsection (b), the Architect of the Capitol is authorized to perform such work as may be necessary to prevent further deterioration of, and to maintain, those sections of the cemetery located in the District of Columbia known as the Congressional Cemetery which are of historical significance, including those sections in which former Members of the Senate and House of Representatives are buried, and including any such work in the remainder of the cemetery as he determines to be necessary to protect the historical sections.

Congressional  
Cemetery.  
Historical  
section  
maintenance.

(b) Before commencing any work under subsection (a), the Architect of the Capitol shall obtain the consent and approval of the person or persons who have legal responsibility for the care and maintenance of the cemetery and shall enter into such agreements with them as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of such subsection. Such agreements shall include provisions protecting the liability of the Architect of the Capitol and the employees of his Office.

(c) To carry out the provisions of subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$175,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, and the sum of \$75,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979.

Appropriation  
authorizations.

Sec. 2. (a) The Architect of the Capitol shall conduct a study for the purpose of determining the continuing maintenance and preservation needs for those historical sections of the Congressional Cemetery referred to in the first section of this Act, including the costs which he estimates would be associated with various maintenance actions which he may recommend for the cemetery. He shall transmit such study to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives not later than September 30, 1978.

Study.

Reports to  
congressional  
committees.

Appropriation  
authorization.

(b) To carry out the provisions of subsection (a), there is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$50,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978.

Approved October 14, 1976.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

HOUSE REPORT No. 94-1682 accompanying H.R. 13789 (Comm. on Interior and Insular Affairs).

SENATE REPORT No. 94-1154 (Comm. on Interior and Insular Affairs).

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Sept. 17, considered and passed Senate.

Sept. 27, considered and passed House, amended, in lieu of H.R. 13789.

Oct. 1, Senate concurred in House amendments.