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To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for burial allowance to certain additional veterans and to increase the burial plot allowance for veterans from \$150 to \$300.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. FALEOMAVEGA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Veterans’ Burial Bene-
5 fits Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR BURIAL ALLOWANCE.**

7 Subsection (a) of section 902 of title 38, United
8 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 “(a) Where a veteran dies—

2 “(1) of a service-connected disability; or

3 “(2) who was—

4 “(A) a veteran of any war;

5 “(B) discharged from the active military,
6 naval, or air service for a disability incurred or
7 aggravated in line of duty; or

8 “(C) in receipt of (or but for the receipt of
9 retirement pay would have been entitled to) dis-
10 ability compensation;

11 the Secretary, in the Secretary’s discretion, having due re-
12 gard to the circumstances in each case, may pay a sum
13 not exceeding \$400 to such person as the Secretary pre-
14 scribes to cover the burial and funeral expenses of the de-
15 ceased veteran and the expense of preparing the body and
16 transporting it to the place of burial. For the purpose of
17 this subsection, the term ‘veteran’ includes a person who
18 died during a period deemed to be active military, naval,
19 or air service under section 106(c) of this title.”.

20 **SEC. 3. INCREASE IN THE BURIAL PLOT ALLOWANCE.**

21 Paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 903(b) of title 38,
22 United States Code, are amended by striking out “\$150”
23 each place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “\$300”.

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