

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 3990

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 18, 2002

Mr. SHIMKUS (for himself and Mr. EVANS) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Captain Jack Panches  
5 Memorial Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**  
2 **FAIRS BENEFIT FOR GOVERNMENT MARKERS**  
3 **FOR MARKED GRAVES OF VETERANS AT PRI-**  
4 **VATE CEMETERIES TO VETERANS DYING ON**  
5 **OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 11, 2001.**

6 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Subsection (d) of section 502 of  
7 the Veterans Education and Benefits Expansion Act of  
8 2001 (Public Law 107–103; 115 Stat. 994; 38 U.S.C.  
9 2306 note) is amended by striking “the date of the enact-  
10 ment of this Act” and inserting “September 11, 2001”.

11 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
12 subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enact-  
13 ment of such section 502.

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