

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5355

To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit remarried surviving spouses of veterans to be eligible for burial in a national cemetery.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico 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. ELIGIBILITY OF SURVIVING SPOUSES WHO RE-**
4 **MARRY FOR BURIAL IN NATIONAL CEME-**
5 **TERIES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2402(5) of title 38,
7 United States Code, is amended by striking “(which for
8 purposes of this chapter includes an unremarried surviving
9 spouse who had a subsequent remarriage which was termi-
10 nated by death or divorce)” and inserting “(which for pur-

1 poses of this chapter includes a surviving spouse who had
2 a subsequent remarriage)”.
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4 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
5 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to deaths occurring
on or after January 1, 2000.

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