



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
**VETERANS' AFFAIRS**  
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**H.R. 4910: The Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act**

**Background:**

Under current law, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is required to provide an outer burial receptacle to veterans buried in a national cemetery under the control of the National Cemetery Administration. This statute does not apply to cemeteries controlled by the National Park Service (NPS), and neither VA nor NPS are able to provide an outer burial receptacle or reimbursement for a grave liner to veterans who choose to be interred in an NPS cemetery.

The Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act would require the federal government to provide an outer burial receptacle for each new grave of eligible veterans and family members interred in a veterans cemetery under the control of the National Park Service.

**The Message:**

- Currently, VA can only provide an outer burial receptacle to eligible veterans who are buried in a national cemetery under the control of the National Cemetery Administration.
- Eligible veterans should not be prohibited from receiving an outer burial receptacle if they are laid to rest in an NPS cemetery.
- This bill would require the federal government to provide an outer burial receptacle for each new grave of eligible veterans and family members interred in a veterans cemetery under the control of the National Park Service.