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To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the eligibility of parents of certain deceased veterans for interment in national cemeteries.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts 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. INTERMENT IN NATIONAL CEMETERIES OF 4 PARENTS OF CERTAIN DECEASED VETERANS.

5 (a) INTERMENT OF PARENTS OF CERTAIN DE6 CEASED VETERANS.—Section 2402 of title 38, United
7 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol8 lowing new paragraph:

9 "(9) If the Secretary determines there is enough10 space in open national cemeteries, the parent of a person

listed in any of paragraphs (1) through (4) or paragraph
 (7) who, at the time of the parent's death, does not have
 a spouse, surviving spouse, or child who has been interred,
 or who, if deceased, would be eligible to be interred, in
 a national cemetery pursuant to paragraph (5).".

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraph (9) of section
7 2402 of title 38, United States Code, shall apply with re8 spect to the death of an eligible parent on or after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act.

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