

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

# **H. R. 8063**

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## **AN ACT**

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to posthumously award the Distinguished Service Cross to William D. Owens for his valorous actions from June 6, 1944, to June 8, 1944, during World War II at La Fiere Bridge in Normandy, France, while serving with the 505th Parachute Infantry.

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. AUTHORIZATION FOR POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF**  
4 **THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS TO WIL-**  
5 **LIAM D. OWENS FOR ACTS OF VALOR AT LA**  
6 **FIERE BRIDGE.**

7 (a) WAIVER OF TIME LIMITATIONS.—Notwith-  
8 standing the time limitations specified in section 7274 of  
9 title 10, United States Code, or any other time limitation  
10 with respect to the awarding of certain medals to persons  
11 who served in the Armed Forces, the Secretary of the  
12 Army may award the Distinguished Service Cross under  
13 section 7272 of such title to William D. Owens for the  
14 acts of valor at La Fiere Bridge described in subsection  
15 (b).

16 (b) ACTS OF VALOR DESCRIBED.—The acts of valor  
17 referred to in subsection (a) are the actions of William  
18 D. Owens from June 6, 1944, to June 8, 1944, at La  
19 Fiere Bridge for which he was previously awarded the  
20 Bronze Star Medal.

Passed the House of Representatives May 8, 2024.

Attest:

*Clerk.*



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