

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 9055

To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial and funeral expenses paid by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of death from a service-connected disability, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 29, 2026

Mr. FINSTAD (for himself and Ms. MORRISON) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Veteran Burial Benefit
5 Correction Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCREASE IN BURIAL AND FUNERAL EXPENSES**
2 **PAID BY THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-**
3 **FAIRS IN THE CASE OF DEATH FROM A SERV-**
4 **ICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY.**

5 Section 2307 of title 38, United States Code, is
6 amended—

7 (1) by inserting “(a)” before “In any case”;

8 (2) by striking “\$2,000” and inserting “\$3,000
9 (as increased from time to time under subsection
10 (b))”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 section:

13 “(b) With respect to any fiscal year, the Secretary
14 shall provide a percentage increase (rounded to the near-
15 est dollar) in the amount of burial and funeral expenses
16 payable under subsection (a)(1) equal to the percentage
17 by which—

18 “(1) the Consumer Price Index (all items,
19 United States city average) for the 12-month period
20 ending on the June 30 preceding the beginning of
21 the fiscal year for which the increase is made, ex-
22 ceeds

23 “(2) the Consumer Price Index for the 12-
24 month period preceding the 12-month period de-
25 scribed in paragraph (1).”.