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Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—112th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. 3202**

To amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that deceased veterans with no known next of kin can receive a dignified burial, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and  
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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by Mrs. MURRAY

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Dignified Burial and Other Veterans’ Benefits Improve-  
6 ment Act of 2012”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Scoring of budgetary effects.

TITLE I—CEMETERY MATTERS

Sec. 101. Furnishing caskets and urns for deceased veterans with no known  
next of kin.

Sec. 102. Veterans freedom of conscience protection.

- Sec. 103. Improved communication between Department of Veterans Affairs and medical examiners and funeral directors.
- Sec. 104. Identification and burial of unclaimed or abandoned human remains.
- Sec. 105. Exclusion of persons convicted of committing certain sex offenses from interment or memorialization in national cemeteries, Arlington National Cemetery, and certain State veterans' cemeteries and from receiving certain funeral honors.
- Sec. 106. Restoration, operation, and maintenance of Clark Veterans Cemetery by American Battle Monuments Commission.
- Sec. 107. Report on compliance of Department of Veterans Affairs with industry standards for caskets and urns.

#### TITLE II—HEALTH CARE

- Sec. 201. Establishment of open burn pit registry.
- Sec. 202. Transportation of beneficiaries to and from facilities of Department of Veterans Affairs.
- Sec. 203. Extension of reduced pension for certain veterans covered by medicaid plans for services furnished by nursing facilities.
- Sec. 204. Extension of report requirement for Special Committee on Post-Traumatic-Stress Disorder.

#### TITLE III—OTHER MATTERS

- Sec. 301. Off-base transition training for veterans and their spouses.
- Sec. 302. Requirement that judges on United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims reside within 50 miles of District of Columbia.
- Sec. 303. Designation of Trinka Davis Veterans Village.
- Sec. 304. Designation of William “Bill” Kling Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic.
- Sec. 305. Designation of Mann-Grandstaff Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center.
- Sec. 306. Designation of David F. Winder Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic.

### 1 **SEC. 2. SCORING OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

2       The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of  
3 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go-Act of 2010,  
4 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement  
5 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this  
6 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record  
7 by the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, pro-  
8 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the  
9 vote on passage.

1     **TITLE I—CEMETERY MATTERS**

2     **SEC. 101. FURNISHING CASKETS AND URNS FOR DECEASED**  
3                     **VETERANS WITH NO KNOWN NEXT OF KIN.**

4             (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2306 of title 38, United  
5 States Code, is amended—

6                     (1) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as  
7 subsections (g) and (h), respectively;

8                     (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
9 lowing new subsection (f):

10             “(f) The Secretary may furnish a casket or urn, of  
11 such quality as the Secretary considers appropriate for a  
12 dignified burial, for burial in a national cemetery of a de-  
13 ceased veteran in any case in which the Secretary—

14                     “(1) is unable to identify the veteran’s next of  
15 kin, if any; and

16                     “(2) determines that sufficient resources for the  
17 furnishing of a casket or urn for the burial of the  
18 veteran in a national cemetery are not otherwise  
19 available.”; and

20                     (3) in subsection (h), as redesignated by para-  
21 graph (1), by adding at the end the following new  
22 paragraph:

23                     “(4) A casket or urn may not be furnished under sub-  
24 section (f) for burial of a person described in section  
25 2411(b) of this title.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (f) and (h)(4) of  
2 section 2306 of title 38, United States Code, as added by  
3 subsection (a), shall take effect on the date that is one  
4 year after the date of the enactment of this Act and shall  
5 apply with respect to deaths occurring on or after the date  
6 that is one year after the date of the enactment of this  
7 Act.

8 **SEC. 102. VETERANS FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE PROTEC-**  
9 **TION.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2404 of title 38, United  
11 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing new subsection:

13 “(h)(1) With respect to the interment or funeral, me-  
14 morial service, or ceremony of a deceased veteran at a na-  
15 tional cemetery, the Secretary shall ensure that—

16 “(A) the expressed wishes of the next of kin or  
17 other agent of the deceased veteran are respected  
18 and given appropriate deference when evaluating  
19 whether the proposed interment or funeral, memorial  
20 service, or ceremony affects the safety and security  
21 of the national cemetery and visitors to the ceme-  
22 tery;

23 “(B) to the extent possible, all appropriate pub-  
24 lic areas of the cemetery, including committal shel-  
25 ters, chapels, and benches, may be used by the fam-

1       ily of the deceased veteran for contemplation, pray-  
2       er, mourning, or reflection; and

3           “(C) during such interment or funeral, memo-  
4       rial service, or ceremony, the family of the deceased  
5       veteran may display any religious or other symbols  
6       chosen by the family.

7       “(2) Subject to regulations prescribed by the Sec-  
8       retary under paragraph (4), including such regulations en-  
9       suring the security of a national cemetery, the Secretary  
10      shall, to the maximum extent practicable, provide to any  
11      military or volunteer veterans honor guard, including such  
12      guards belonging to a veterans service organization or  
13      other nongovernmental group that provides services to vet-  
14      erans, access to public areas of a national cemetery if such  
15      access is requested by the next of kin or other agent of  
16      a deceased veteran whose interment or funeral, memorial  
17      service, or ceremony is being held in such cemetery.

18      “(3) With respect to the interment or funeral, memo-  
19      rial service, or ceremony of a deceased veteran at a na-  
20      tional cemetery, the Secretary shall notify the next of kin  
21      or other agent of the deceased veteran of funeral honors  
22      available to the deceased veteran, including such honors  
23      provided by any military or volunteer veterans honor  
24      guard described in paragraph (2).

1       “(4) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to  
2 carry out this subsection.”.

3       (b) INTERIM IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary may  
4 carry out paragraphs (1) through (3) of section 2404(h)  
5 of such title, as added by subsection (a), before the Sec-  
6 retary prescribes regulations pursuant to paragraph (4)  
7 of such section, as so added.

8       (c) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans  
10 Affairs shall submit to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs  
11 of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of  
12 the House of Representatives a report on the implementa-  
13 tion of section 2404(h) of such title, as added by sub-  
14 section (a). Such report shall include a certification of  
15 whether the Secretary is in compliance with all of the pro-  
16 visions of such section.

17 **SEC. 103. IMPROVED COMMUNICATION BETWEEN DEPART-**  
18 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND MEDICAL**  
19 **EXAMINERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.**

20       (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 24 of title 38, United  
21 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
22 lowing new section:

1 **“§ 2414. Communication between Department of Vet-**  
2 **erans Affairs and medical examiners and**  
3 **funeral directors**

4 “(a) REQUIRED INFORMATION.—With respect to  
5 each deceased veteran described in subsection (b) who is  
6 transported to a national cemetery for burial, the Sec-  
7 retary shall ensure that the local medical examiner, fu-  
8 neral director, county service group, or other entity re-  
9 sponsible for the body of the deceased veteran before such  
10 transportation submits to the Secretary the following in-  
11 formation:

12 “(1) Whether the deceased veteran was cre-  
13 mated.

14 “(2) The steps taken to ensure that the de-  
15 ceased veteran has no next of kin.

16 “(b) DECEASED VETERAN DESCRIBED.—A deceased  
17 veteran described in this subsection is a deceased vet-  
18 eran—

19 “(1) with respect to whom the Secretary deter-  
20 mines that there is no next of kin or other person  
21 claiming the body of the deceased veteran; and

22 “(2) who does not have sufficient resources for  
23 the furnishing of a casket or urn for the burial of  
24 the deceased veteran in a national cemetery, as de-  
25 termined by the Secretary.”.

1 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
2 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting  
3 after the item relating to section 2413 the following new  
4 item:

“2414. Communication between Department of Veterans Affairs and medical ex-  
aminers and funeral directors.”.

5 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 2414 of title 38,  
6 United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take  
7 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act and shall  
8 apply with respect to deaths occurring on or after the date  
9 that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this  
10 Act.

11 **SEC. 104. IDENTIFICATION AND BURIAL OF UNCLAIMED OR**  
12 **ABANDONED HUMAN REMAINS.**

13 (a) IDENTIFICATION OF UNCLAIMED OR ABANDONED  
14 HUMAN REMAINS.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
15 shall cooperate with veterans service organizations to as-  
16 sist entities in possession of unclaimed or abandoned  
17 human remains in determining if any such remains are  
18 the remains of veterans or other individuals eligible for  
19 burial in a national cemetery under the jurisdiction of the  
20 Secretary.

21 (b) BURIAL OF UNCLAIMED OR ABANDONED HUMAN  
22 REMAINS.—

23 (1) FUNERAL EXPENSES.—Section 2302(a)(2)  
24 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by strik-



1       ing “who was a veteran of any war or was dis-  
2       charged or released from the active military, naval,  
3       or air service for a disability incurred or aggravated  
4       in line of duty, whose body is held by a State (or  
5       a political subdivision of a State), and”.

6               (2) TRANSPORTATION COSTS.—Section 2308 of  
7       such title is amended—

8               (A) by striking “Where a veteran” and all  
9       that follows through “compensation, the” and  
10       inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—The”;

11              (B) in subsection (a), as designated by  
12       subparagraph (A), by inserting “described in  
13       subsection (b)” after “of the deceased veteran”;  
14       and

15              (C) by adding at the end the following new  
16       subsection:

17       “(b) DECEASED VETERAN DESCRIBED.—A deceased  
18       veteran described in this subsection is any of the following  
19       veterans:

20              “(1) A veteran who dies as the result of a serv-  
21       ice-connected disability.

22              “(2) A veteran who dies while in receipt of dis-  
23       ability compensation (or who but for the receipt of  
24       retirement pay or pension under this title, would  
25       have been entitled to compensation).

1           “(3) A veteran whom the Secretary determines  
2 is eligible for funeral expenses under section 2302 of  
3 this title by virtue of the Secretary determining that  
4 the veteran has no next of kin or other person claim-  
5 ing the body of such veteran pursuant to subsection  
6 (a)(2)(A) of such section.”.

7           (3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made  
8 by this subsection shall take effect on the date that  
9 is one year after the date of the enactment of this  
10 Act and shall apply with respect to burials and fu-  
11 nerals occurring on or after the date that is one year  
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

13 **SEC. 105. EXCLUSION OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF COM-**  
14 **MITTING CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES FROM IN-**  
15 **TERMENT OR MEMORIALIZATION IN NA-**  
16 **TIONAL CEMETERIES, ARLINGTON NATIONAL**  
17 **CEMETERY, AND CERTAIN STATE VETERANS’**  
18 **CEMETERIES AND FROM RECEIVING CER-**  
19 **TAIN FUNERAL HONORS.**

20           (a) PROHIBITION AGAINST.—Section 2411(b) of title  
21 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
22 the following new paragraph:

23           “(4) A person—

24                   “(A) who has been convicted of a Federal  
25 or State crime causing the person to be a tier

1 III sex offender for purposes of the Sex Of-  
2 fender Registration and Notification Act (42  
3 U.S.C. 16901 et seq.);

4 “(B) who, for such crime, is sentenced to  
5 a minimum of life imprisonment; and

6 “(C) whose conviction is final (other than  
7 a person whose sentence was commuted by the  
8 President or Governor of a State, as the case  
9 may be).”.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section  
11 2411(a)(2) of such title is amended—

12 (1) by striking “or (b)(2)” each place it ap-  
13 pears and inserting “, (b)(2), or (b)(4)”; and

14 (2) by striking “capital” each place it appears.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
16 this section shall apply with respect to interments and me-  
17 morializations that occur on or after the date of the enact-  
18 ment of this Act.

19 **SEC. 106. RESTORATION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE**  
20 **OF CLARK VETERANS CEMETERY BY AMER-**  
21 **ICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—After an agreement is made be-  
23 tween the Government of the Republic of the Philippines  
24 and the United States Government, Clark Veterans Ceme-  
25 tery in the Republic of the Philippines shall be treated,

1 for purposes of section 2104 of title 36, United States  
2 Code, as a cemetery for which it was decided under such  
3 section that the cemetery will become a permanent ceme-  
4 tery and the American Battle Monuments Commission  
5 shall restore, operate, and maintain Clark Veterans Ceme-  
6 tery (to the degree the Commission considers appropriate)  
7 under such section in cooperation with the Government  
8 of the Republic of the Philippines.

9 (b) LIMITATION ON FUTURE BURIALS.—Burials at  
10 the cemetery described in subsection (a) after the date of  
11 the agreement described in such subsection shall be lim-  
12 ited to eligible veterans, as determined by the Commission,  
13 whose burial does not incur any cost to the Commission.

14 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
15 are authorized to be appropriated to the Commission—

16 (1) \$5,000,000 for site preparation, design,  
17 planning, construction, and associated administrative  
18 costs for the restoration of the cemetery described in  
19 subsection (a); and

20 (2) amounts necessary to operate and maintain  
21 the cemetery described in subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 107. REPORT ON COMPLIANCE OF DEPARTMENT OF**  
2 **VETERANS AFFAIRS WITH INDUSTRY STAND-**  
3 **ARDS FOR CASKETS AND URNS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Vet-  
6 erans Affairs shall submit to the Committee on Veterans’  
7 Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans’ Af-  
8 fairs of the House of Representatives a report on the com-  
9 pliance of the Department of Veterans Affairs with indus-  
10 try standards for caskets and urns.

11 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection  
12 (a) shall include the following:

13 (1) A description of industry standards for cas-  
14 kets and urns.

15 (2) An assessment of compliance with such  
16 standards at national cemeteries administered by the  
17 Department with respect to caskets and urns used  
18 for the interment of those eligible for burial at such  
19 cemeteries.

20 **TITLE II—HEALTH CARE**

21 **SEC. 201. ESTABLISHMENT OF OPEN BURN PIT REGISTRY.**

22 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF REGISTRY.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year  
24 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
25 retary of Veterans Affairs shall—

1 (A) establish and maintain an open burn  
2 pit registry for eligible individuals who may  
3 have been exposed to toxic airborne chemicals  
4 and fumes caused by open burn pits;

5 (B) include any information in such reg-  
6 istry that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs de-  
7 termines necessary to ascertain and monitor the  
8 health effects of the exposure of members of the  
9 Armed Forces to toxic airborne chemicals and  
10 fumes caused by open burn pits;

11 (C) develop a public information campaign  
12 to inform eligible individuals about the open  
13 burn pit registry, including how to register and  
14 the benefits of registering; and

15 (D) periodically notify eligible individuals  
16 of significant developments in the study and  
17 treatment of conditions associated with expo-  
18 sure to toxic airborne chemicals and fumes  
19 caused by open burn pits.

20 (2) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of Vet-  
21 erans Affairs shall coordinate with the Secretary of  
22 Defense in carrying out paragraph (1).

23 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

24 (1) REPORTS BY INDEPENDENT SCIENTIFIC OR-  
25 GANIZATION.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs

1 shall enter into an agreement with an independent  
2 scientific organization to prepare reports as follows:

3 (A) Not later than two years after the date  
4 on which the registry under subsection (a) is es-  
5 tablished, an initial report containing the fol-  
6 lowing:

7 (i) An assessment of the effectiveness  
8 of actions taken by the Secretaries to col-  
9 lect and maintain information on the  
10 health effects of exposure to toxic airborne  
11 chemicals and fumes caused by open burn  
12 pits.

13 (ii) Recommendations to improve the  
14 collection and maintenance of such infor-  
15 mation.

16 (iii) Using established and previously  
17 published epidemiological studies, rec-  
18 ommendations regarding the most effective  
19 and prudent means of addressing the med-  
20 ical needs of eligible individuals with re-  
21 spect to conditions that are likely to result  
22 from exposure to open burn pits.

23 (B) Not later than five years after com-  
24 pleting the initial report described in subpara-

1 graph (A), a follow-up report containing the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 (i) An update to the initial report de-  
4 scribed in subparagraph (A).

5 (ii) An assessment of whether and to  
6 what degree the content of the registry es-  
7 tablished under subsection (a) is current  
8 and scientifically up-to-date.

9 (2) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—

10 (A) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than two  
11 years after the date on which the registry under  
12 subsection (a) is established, the Secretary of  
13 Veterans Affairs shall submit to Congress the  
14 initial report prepared under paragraph (1)(A).

15 (B) FOLLOW-UP REPORT.—Not later than  
16 five years after submitting the report under  
17 subparagraph (A), the Secretary of Veterans  
18 Affairs shall submit to Congress the follow-up  
19 report prepared under paragraph (1)(B).

20 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 (1) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The term “eligible  
22 individual” means any individual who, on or after  
23 September 11, 2001—



1 (A) was deployed in support of a contin-  
2 gency operation while serving in the Armed  
3 Forces; and

4 (B) during such deployment, was based or  
5 stationed at a location where an open burn pit  
6 was used.

7 (2) OPEN BURN PIT.—The term “open burn  
8 pit” means an area of land located in Afghanistan  
9 or Iraq that—

10 (A) is designated by the Secretary of De-  
11 fense to be used for disposing solid waste by  
12 burning in the outdoor air; and

13 (B) does not contain a commercially manu-  
14 factured incinerator or other equipment specifi-  
15 cally designed and manufactured for the burn-  
16 ing of solid waste.

17 **SEC. 202. TRANSPORTATION OF BENEFICIARIES TO AND**  
18 **FROM FACILITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF VET-**  
19 **ERANS AFFAIRS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 38, United  
21 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 111 the  
22 following new section:

1 **“§ 111A. Transportation of individuals to and from**  
2 **Department facilities**

3 “(a) TRANSPORTATION BY SECRETARY.—(1) The  
4 Secretary may transport any person to or from a Depart-  
5 ment facility or other place in connection with vocational  
6 rehabilitation, counseling required by the Secretary pursu-  
7 ant to chapter 34 or 35 of this title, or for the purpose  
8 of examination, treatment, or care.

9 “(2) The authority granted by paragraph (1) shall  
10 expire on the date that is one year after the date of the  
11 enactment of this section.”.

12 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Subsection (h) of  
13 section 111 of such title is—

14 (1) transferred to section 111A of such title, as  
15 added by subsection (a);

16 (2) redesignated as subsection (b);

17 (3) inserted after subsection (a) of such section;

18 and

19 (4) amended by inserting “TRANSPORTATION  
20 BY THIRD-PARTIES.—” before “The Secretary”.

21 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
22 at the beginning of chapter 1 of such title is amended by  
23 inserting after the item relating to section 111 the fol-  
24 lowing new item:

“111A. Transportation of individuals to and from Department facilities.”.

1 **SEC. 203. EXTENSION OF REDUCED PENSION FOR CERTAIN**  
2 **VETERANS COVERED BY MEDICAID PLANS**  
3 **FOR SERVICES FURNISHED BY NURSING FA-**  
4 **CILITIES.**

5 Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code,  
6 is amended by striking “September 30, 2016” and insert-  
7 ing “November 30, 2016”.

8 **SEC. 204. EXTENSION OF REPORT REQUIREMENT FOR SPE-**  
9 **CIAL COMMITTEE ON POST-TRAUMATIC-**  
10 **STRESS DISORDER.**

11 Section 110(e)(2) of the Veterans’ Health Care Act  
12 of 1984 (Public Law 98–528; 38 U.S.C. 1712A note) is  
13 amended by striking “through 2012” and inserting  
14 “through 2016”.

15 **TITLE III—OTHER MATTERS**

16 **SEC. 301. OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAINING FOR VETERANS**  
17 **AND THEIR SPOUSES.**

18 (a) PROVISION OF OFF-BASE TRANSITION TRAIN-  
19 ING.—During the two-year period beginning on the date  
20 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall  
21 provide the Transition Assistance Program under section  
22 1144 of title 10, United States Code, to eligible individuals  
23 at locations other than military installations to assess the  
24 feasibility and advisability of providing such program to  
25 eligible individuals at locations other than military instal-  
26 lations.

1 (b) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—For purposes of this  
2 section, an eligible individual is a veteran or the spouse  
3 of a veteran.

4 (c) LOCATIONS.—

5 (1) NUMBER OF STATES.—The Secretary shall  
6 carry out the training under subsection (a) in not  
7 less than three and not more than five States se-  
8 lected by the Secretary for purposes of this section.

9 (2) SELECTION OF STATES WITH HIGH UNEM-  
10 PLOYMENT.—Of the States selected by the Secretary  
11 under paragraph (1), at least two shall be States  
12 with high rates of unemployment among veterans.

13 (3) NUMBER OF LOCATIONS IN EACH STATE.—  
14 The Secretary shall provide training under sub-  
15 section (a) to eligible individuals at a sufficient num-  
16 ber of locations within each State selected under this  
17 subsection to meet the needs of eligible individuals  
18 in such State.

19 (4) SELECTION OF LOCATIONS.—The Secretary  
20 shall select locations for the provision of training  
21 under subsection (a) to facilitate access by partici-  
22 pants and may not select any location on a military  
23 installation other than a National Guard or reserve  
24 facility that is not located on an active duty military  
25 installation.

1 (d) INCLUSION OF INFORMATION ABOUT VETERANS  
2 BENEFITS.—The Secretary shall ensure that the training  
3 provided under subsection (a) generally follows the content  
4 of the Transition Assistance Program under section 1144  
5 of title 10, United States Code.

6 (e) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 1 of  
7 any year during which the Secretary provides training  
8 under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to Con-  
9 gress a report on the provision of such training.

10 (f) COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.—Not later  
11 than 180 days after the termination of the one-year period  
12 described in subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the  
13 United States shall submit to Congress a report on the  
14 training provided under such subsection. The report shall  
15 include the evaluation of the Comptroller General regard-  
16 ing the feasibility and advisability of carrying out off-base  
17 transition training at locations nationwide.

18 **SEC. 302. REQUIREMENT THAT JUDGES ON UNITED STATES**  
19 **COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS**  
20 **RESIDE WITHIN 50 MILES OF DISTRICT OF**  
21 **COLUMBIA.**

22 (a) RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 7255 is amended to  
24 read as follows:

1 **“§ 7255. Offices, duty stations, and residences**

2 “(a) PRINCIPAL OFFICE.—The principal office of the  
3 Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims shall be in the  
4 Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, but the Court may  
5 sit at any place within the United States.

6 “(b) OFFICIAL DUTY STATIONS.—(1) Except as pro-  
7 vided in paragraph (2), the official duty station of each  
8 judge while in active service shall be the principal office  
9 of the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

10 “(2) The place where a recall-eligible retired judge  
11 maintains the actual abode in which such judge custom-  
12 arily lives shall be considered the recall-eligible retired  
13 judge’s official duty station.

14 “(c) RESIDENCES.—(1) Except as provided in para-  
15 graph (2), after appointment and while in active service,  
16 each judge of the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims  
17 shall reside within 50 miles of the Washington, D.C., met-  
18 ropolitan area.

19 “(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to recall-eligible  
20 retired judges of the Court of Appeals for Veterans  
21 Claims.”.

22 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
23 tions at the beginning of chapter 72 is amended by  
24 striking the item relating to section 7255 and insert-  
25 ing the following new item:

“7255. Offices, duty stations, and residences.”.

1 (b) REMOVAL.—Section 7253(f)(1) is amended by  
2 striking “or engaging in the practice of law” and inserting  
3 “engaging in the practice of law, or violating section  
4 7255(c) of this title”.

5 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (c) of section  
7 7255, as added by subsection (a), and the amend-  
8 ment made by subsection (b) shall take effect on the  
9 date that is 180 days after the date of the enact-  
10 ment of this Act.

11 (2) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by  
12 subsection (b) shall apply with respect to judges con-  
13 firmed on or after January 1, 2012.

14 **SEC. 303. DESIGNATION OF TRINKA DAVIS VETERANS VIL-**  
15 **LAGE.**

16 (a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the Department  
17 of Veterans Affairs located at 180 Martin Drive in  
18 Carrollton, Georgia, shall after the date of the enactment  
19 of this Act be known and designated as the “Trinka Davis  
20 Veterans Village”.

21 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regula-  
22 tion, map, document, record, or other paper of the United  
23 States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall  
24 be deemed to be a reference to the “Trinka Davis Veterans  
25 Village”.

1 **SEC. 304. DESIGNATION OF WILLIAM “BILL” KLING DE-**  
2 **PARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OUT-**  
3 **PATIENT CLINIC.**

4 (a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the Department  
5 of Veterans Affairs located at 9800 West Commercial  
6 Boulevard in Sunrise, Florida, shall after the date of the  
7 enactment of this Act be known and designated as the  
8 “William ‘Bill’ Kling Department of Veterans Affairs Out-  
9 patient Clinic”.

10 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-  
11 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United  
12 States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall  
13 be deemed to be a reference to the “William ‘Bill’ Kling  
14 Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic”.

15 **SEC. 305. DESIGNATION OF MANN-GRANDSTAFF DEPART-**  
16 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CEN-**  
17 **TER.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Department of Veterans Af-  
19 fairs medical center in Spokane, Washington, shall after  
20 the date of the enactment of this Act be known and des-  
21 ignated as the “Mann-Grandstaff Department of Veterans  
22 Affairs Medical Center”.

23 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-  
24 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United  
25 States to the Department of Veterans Affairs medical cen-  
26 ter referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a



1 reference to the “Mann-Grandstaff Department of Vet-  
2 erans Affairs Medical Center”.

3 **SEC. 306. DESIGNATION OF DAVID F. WINDER DEPARTMENT**  
4 **OF VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMUNITY BASED**  
5 **OUTPATIENT CLINIC.**

6 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Department of Veterans Af-  
7 fairs community based outpatient clinic located in Mans-  
8 field, Ohio, shall after the date of the enactment of this  
9 Act be known and designated as the “David F. Winder  
10 Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Out-  
11 patient Clinic”.

12 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-  
13 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United  
14 States to the Department of Veterans Affairs community  
15 based outpatient clinic referred to in subsection (a) shall  
16 be deemed to be a reference to the “David F. Winder De-  
17 partment of Veterans Affairs Community Based Out-  
18 patient Clinic”.