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H. R. 6039

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 28, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of California 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. TRANSFER OF MARE ISLAND NAVAL CEMETERY**
4 **TO SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR**
5 **MAINTENANCE BY NATIONAL CEMETERY AD-**
6 **MINISTRATION.**

7 (a) AGREEMENT.—Beginning on the date that is 180
8 days after the date on which the Secretary submits the

1 report required by subsection (c)(1), the Secretary of Vet-
2 erans Affairs shall seek to enter into an agreement with
3 the city of Vallejo, California, under which the city of
4 Vallejo shall transfer to the Secretary all right, title, and
5 interest in the Mare Island Naval Cemetery in Vallejo,
6 California, at no cost to the Secretary. The Secretary shall
7 seek to enter into such agreement before the date that
8 is one year after the date on which such report is sub-
9 mitted.

10 (b) MAINTENANCE BY NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMIN-
11 ISTRATION.—If the Mare Island Naval Cemetery is trans-
12 ferred to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs pursuant to
13 subsection (a), the National Cemetery Administration
14 shall maintain the cemetery as a national shrine.

15 (c) REPORT.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
18 retary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans'
19 Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Vet-
20 erans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a re-
21 port on the feasibility and advisability of exercising
22 the authority granted by subsection (a).

23 (2) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under
24 paragraph (1) shall include the following:

1 (A) An assessment of the feasibility and
2 advisability of exercising the authority granted
3 by subsection (a).

4 (B) An estimate of the costs, including
5 both direct and indirect costs, that the Depart-
6 ment of Veterans Affairs would incur by exer-
7 cising such authority.

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