

116TH CONGRESS
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S. 1545

To amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure the Secretary of Veterans Affairs permits the display of Battlefield Crosses in national cemeteries, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 20, 2019

Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BROWN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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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 “Fallen Warrior Battle-
5 field Cross Memorial Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISPLAY OF BATTLEFIELD CROSSES IN NATIONAL**
2 **CEMETERIES.**

3 Section 2403 of title 38, United States Code, is
4 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
5 section:

6 “(d)(1) The Secretary may not prohibit the display
7 of a Battlefield Cross in any national cemetery.

8 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘Battlefield Cross’
9 means a memorial monument in honor of fallen members
10 of the Armed Forces that may include a replica of an in-
11 verted rifle, boots, helmets, and identification tag.”.

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