

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8063

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.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 18, 2024

Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself and Mr. SCHIFF) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF**
2 **THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS TO WIL-**
3 **LIAM D. OWENS FOR ACTS OF VALOR AT LA**
4 **FIERE BRIDGE.**

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

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

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