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H. R. 3668

To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the furnishing by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of burial flags for deceased members and former members of the Selected Reserve.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 1, 1998

Mr. McHALE (for himself, and Mr. BUYER) 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. FURNISHING OF BURIAL FLAGS FOR DE-**
4 **CEASED MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS**
5 **OF THE SELECTED RESERVE.**

6 Section 2301 of title 38, United States Code, is
7 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
8 section:

1 “(f)(1) The Secretary shall furnish a flag to drape
2 the casket of each deceased member or former member
3 of the Selected Reserve (as described in section 10143 of
4 title 10) who is not otherwise eligible for a flag under this
5 section or section 1482(a) of title 10—

6 “(A) who completed at least one enlistment as
7 a member of the Selected Reserve or, in the case of
8 an officer, completed the period of initial obligated
9 service as a member of the Selected Reserve;

10 “(B) who was discharged before completion of
11 the person’s initial enlistment as a member of the
12 Selected Reserve or, in the case of an officer, period
13 of initial obligated service as a member of the Se-
14 lected Reserve, for a disability incurred or aggra-
15 vated in line of duty; or

16 “(C) who died while a member of the Selected
17 Reserve.

18 “(2) A flag may not be furnished under subpara-
19 graphs (A) or (B) of paragraph (1) in the case of a person
20 whose last discharge from service in the Armed Forces was
21 under conditions less favorable than honorable.

22 “(3) After the burial, a flag furnished under para-
23 graph (1) shall be given to the next of kin or to such other
24 person as the Secretary considers appropriate.”.

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