S. 2530

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 29, 1998

Mr. Specter introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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. DESIGNATION OF LANDS AS VALLEY FORGE
- 4 NATIONAL CEMETERY.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The lands described in subsection
- 6 (b) are hereby designated as the Valley Forge National
- 7 Cemetery. Administrative jurisdiction over such lands is
- 8 hereby transferred to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs,
- 9 and such lands shall be administered in accordance with

- 1 chapter 24 of title 38, United States Code (relating to na-
- 2 tional cemeteries and memorials).
- 3 (b) Lands Described.—The lands referred to in
- 4 subsection (a), comprised of not more than 100 acres of
- 5 land, are located within the Valley Forge National Histori-
- 6 cal Park, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Valley
- 7 Forge National Cemetery—Proposed".
- 8 (c) Adjustment of Park Boundaries.—Section
- 9 2(a) of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Secretary
- 10 of the Interior to establish the Valley Forge National His-
- 11 torical Park in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and
- 12 for other purposes" (16 U.S.C. 410aa–1(a)) is amended
- 13 by striking "map entitled 'Valley Forge National Histori-
- 14 cal Park', dated June 1979, and numbered VF-91,001"
- 15 and inserting "map entitled 'Valley Forge National His-
- 16 torical Park', dated _____, and numbered ____.".
- 17 SEC. 2. REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A NA-
- 18 TIONAL CEMETERY IN SOUTHWESTERN
- 19 PENNSYLVANIA.
- Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
- 21 of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit
- 22 to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and
- 23 the House of Representatives a report assessing the fea-
- 24 sibility and advisability of developing or acquiring and op-
- 25 erating in Southwestern Pennsylvania a cemetery as part

- 1 of the National Cemetery System under chapter 24 of title
- 2 38, United States Code.

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