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# H. R. 3272

To require the Secretary of Defense to establish separate campaign medals to be awarded to members of the Armed Forces who participate in Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and subsequent campaigns of similar significance in the Global War on Terrorism.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 8, 2003

Ms. GRANGER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Armed Services

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## 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. FINDINGS.**

4       Congress finds the following:

1           (1) The Global War on Terrorism is a long-  
2 term effort that will consist of a number of major  
3 campaigns.

4           (2) Operation Enduring Freedom and Oper-  
5 ation Iraqi Freedom are major campaigns in the  
6 Global War on Terrorism.

7           (3) While the President has established a cam-  
8 paign medal for the Global War on Terrorism, no  
9 separate campaign medal has been established for  
10 Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi  
11 Freedom.

12           (4) In the past, campaign medals have been  
13 awarded by the Department of Defense for military  
14 campaigns of similar significance.

15           (5) Therefore, separate campaign medals are  
16 warranted to sufficiently recognize service by mem-  
17 bers of the Armed Forces in the operations referred  
18 to in paragraph (2) and any subsequent operation of  
19 similar significance.

20 **SEC. 2. MILITARY CAMPAIGN MEDALS RECOGNIZING SERV-**  
21 **ICE IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM AND**  
22 **OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM AND SUBSE-**  
23 **QUENT OPERATIONS OF SIMILAR SIGNIFI-**  
24 **CANCE.**

25           (a) MEDALS AUTHORIZED.—

1           (1) OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM AND OP-  
2           ERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.—The Secretary of De-  
3           fense shall establish separate campaign medals of  
4           appropriate design, with ribbons, lapel pins and ap-  
5           purtenances, to recognize service by members of the  
6           Armed Forces in Operation Enduring Freedom and  
7           Operation Iraqi Freedom.

8           (2) FUTURE CAMPAIGNS.—The Secretary of  
9           Defense shall establish campaign medals for future  
10          military campaigns in the Global War on Terrorism  
11          that, as determined by the Secretary, are of signifi-  
12          cance similar to the campaigns in Operation Endur-  
13          ing Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

14          (b) ELIGIBILITY.—Eligibility for a campaign medal  
15          established pursuant to subsection (a) shall be set forth  
16          in uniform regulations to be prescribed by the Secretaries  
17          of the military departments and approved by the Secretary  
18          of Defense or in regulations to be prescribed by the Sec-  
19          retary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast  
20          Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy.

21          (c) ISSUANCE TO REPRESENTATIVE OF DE-  
22          CEASED.—If a person eligible for a campaign medal under  
23          subsection (a) dies before being issued the medal, the  
24          medal may be issued to the person's representative, as des-  
25          ignated by the Secretary concerned.

1       (d) REPLACEMENT.—Under regulations prescribed  
2 by the Secretary concerned, any medal issued under sub-  
3 section (a) that is lost, destroyed, or rendered unfit for  
4 use without fault or neglect on the part of the person to  
5 whom it was issued may be replaced without charge.

