110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2934

To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a plot allowance for spouses and children of certain veterans who are buried in State cemeteries.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 29, 2008

Mr. Menendez introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- ${\it 2\ tives\ of\ the\ United\ States\ of\ America\ in\ Congress\ assembled},$

1	SECTION 1. PAYMENT BY SECRETARY OF VETERANS AF-
2	FAIRS OF PLOT ALLOWANCE FOR SPOUSES
3	AND CHILDREN OF CERTAIN VETERANS WHO
4	ARE BURIED IN STATE CEMETERIES.
5	(a) Plot Allowance.—Section 2303 of title 38,
6	United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
7	following new subsection:
8	"(c)(1) In the case of an individual described in para-
9	graph (2) who is buried in a cemetery that is owned by
10	a State or by an agency or political subdivision of a State,
11	the Secretary shall pay to such State, agency, or political
12	subdivision the sum of \$300 as a plot or interment allow-
13	ance for such individual.
14	"(2) An individual described in this paragraph is a
15	spouse, surviving spouse (which for purposes of this chap-
16	ter includes a surviving spouse who had a subsequent re-
17	marriage), minor child (which for purposes of this chapter
18	includes a child under 21 years of age, or under 23 years
19	of age if pursuing a course of instruction at an approved
20	educational institution), or, in the discretion of the Sec-
21	retary, unmarried adult child of any of person described
22	in paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (7) of section 2402 of
23	this title.".
24	(b) Effective Date.—Subsection (c) of section
25	2303 of title 38, United States Code, as added by sub-

- 1 section (a), shall apply with respect to an individual who
- 2 dies on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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