

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 217

To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, South Carolina.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. ACQUISITION OF LAND ADJACENT TO BEAU-**
4 **FORT NATIONAL CEMETERY.**

5 (a) **AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE.**—Subject to the
6 availability of appropriations for such purpose, the Sec-
7 retary of Veterans Affairs shall acquire, in accordance
8 with chapter 24 of title 38, United States Code, the parcel

1 of land described in subsection (b) to be used for the ex-
2 pansion of the Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort,
3 South Carolina.

4 (b) PARCEL DESCRIBED.—The parcel of land de-
5 scribed in this subsection is a parcel of land consisting
6 of approximately 4.9 acres located on 17th Street in Beau-
7 fort, South Carolina, as depicted on tax map number 120–
8 1–238 dated May 4, 1998.

9 (c) AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT DONATION OF PARCEL
10 OF LAND.—

11 (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of Veterans
12 Affairs may accept on behalf of the United States
13 the gift of the parcel of land described in subsection
14 (b). The Secretary shall have administrative jurisdic-
15 tion over such parcel, and shall use such parcel to
16 expand the Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort,
17 South Carolina.

18 (2) INCOME TAX TREATMENT OF GIFT.—For
19 purposes of Federal income, estate, and gift taxes,
20 the land accepted under paragraph (1) shall be con-
21 sidered as a gift to the United States.

22 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—As soon as practicable
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
24 of Veterans Affairs shall submit to Congress a report on

1 the acquisition of the parcel of land described in sub-
2 section (b).

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