

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116-

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OFFERED BY MR. DELGADO OF NEW YORK

Page 1115, after line 5, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 1762. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AID TO**
2 **COUNTIES FOR ESTABLISHMENT, EXPAN-**
3 **SION, AND IMPROVEMENT OF VETERANS'**
4 **CEMETERIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2408 of title 38, United
6 States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by inserting “or county” after “State” each
8 place it appears; and

9 (2) in subsection (a), by adding at the end the
10 following new paragraph:

11 “(3)(A) The Secretary may make a grant to a county
12 under this section only if—

13 “(i)(I) the State in which the county is located
14 does not have a veterans’ cemetery owned by the
15 State; or

16 “(II) the State in which the county is located
17 did not apply for a grant during the previous year;
18 and

1 “(ii) the county demonstrates in the application
2 under paragraph (2), to the satisfaction of the Sec-
3 retary, that the county has the resources necessary
4 to operate and maintain the veterans’ cemetery
5 owned by the county.

6 “(B) If a county and the State in which the county
7 is located both apply for a grant under this section for
8 the same year, the Secretary shall give priority to the
9 State.

10 “(C) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations to
11 carry out this paragraph.”.

12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—

13 (1) SECTION HEADING.—The heading of such
14 section is amended by inserting “**and counties**”
15 after “**States**”.

16 (2) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections
17 at the beginning of chapter 24 of such title is
18 amended by striking the item relating to section
19 2408 and inserting the following new item:

“2408. Aid to States and counties for establishment, expansion, and improve-
ment of veterans’ cemeteries.”.

