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At the end of subtitle F of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. BRIEFING ON UNMANNED AIRCRAFT IN ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY.

(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Secretary of Defense should coordinate to—

(1) prevent the flight of unmanned aircraft over Arlington National Cemetery, to the maximum amount practical, in order to preserve the sacred atmosphere of the cemetery as a national shrine; and

(2) restrict all flights of unmanned aircraft over Arlington National Cemetery during the execution of funeral services, except in emergency situations, the execution of national security operations, and unmanned aircraft flown at the request of the family participating in funeral services.

(b) BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense and
the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall jointly provide to the Committees on Armed Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committees on Armed Services, Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate a briefing on whether legislative action is required to prevent low flying unmanned aircraft from disrupting funerals at Arlington National Cemetery.

(c) UNMANNED AIRCRAFT DEFINED.—In this section, the term “unmanned aircraft” has the meaning given such term in section 331 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–95).