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At the end of subtitle F of title X, add the following new section:

1	SEC. 1073. AVAILABILITY FOR PURCHASE OF DEPARTMENT
2	OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEMORIAL
3	HEADSTONES AND MARKERS FOR MEMBERS
4	OF RESERVE COMPONENTS WHO PER-
5	FORMED CERTAIN TRAINING.
6	Section 2306 of title 38, United States Code, is
7	amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
8	section:
9	"(i)(1) The Secretary shall make available for pur-
10	chase a memorial headstone or marker for the marked or
11	unmarked grave of an individual described in paragraph
12	(2) or for the purpose of commemorating such an indi-
13	vidual whose remains are unavailable.
14	"(2) An individual described in this paragraph is an
15	individual who—
16	"(A) as a member of a National Guard or Re-
17	serve component performed inactive duty training or

1	active duty for training for at least six years but did
2	not serve on active duty; and
3	"(B) is not otherwise ineligible for a memorial
4	headstone or marker on account of the nature of the
5	individual's separation from the Armed Forces or
6	other cause.
7	"(3) A headstone or marker for the grave of an indi-
8	vidual may be purchased under this subsection by—
9	"(A) the individual;
10	"(B) the surviving spouse, child, sibling, or par-
11	ent of the individual; or
12	"(C) an individual other than the next of kin,
13	as determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.
14	"(4) In establishing the prices of the headstones and
15	markers made available for purchase under this section,
16	the Secretary shall ensure the prices are sufficient to cover
17	the costs associated with the production and delivery of
18	such headstones and markers.
19	"(5) No person may receive any benefit under the
20	laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs
21	solely by reason of this subsection.
22	"(6) This subsection does not authorize any new bur-
23	ial benefit for any person or create any new authority for
24	any individual to be buried in a national cemetery.

- 1 "(7) The Secretary shall coordinate with the Sec-
- 2 retary of Defense in establishing procedures to determine
- 3 whether an individual is an individual described in para-
- 4 graph (2).".

