AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–57

OFFERED BY MR. THOMPSON OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subtitle E of title XVII, insert the following:

SEC. 17. TRANSFER OF MARE ISLAND NAVAL CEMETERY TO SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR MAINTENANCE BY NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION.

(a) AGREEMENT.—Beginning on the date that is 180 days after the date on which the Secretary submits the report required by subsection (c)(1), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall seek to enter into an agreement with the city of Vallejo, California, under which the city of Vallejo shall transfer to the Secretary all right, title, and interest in the Mare Island Naval Cemetery in Vallejo, California, at no cost to the Secretary. The Secretary shall seek to enter into such agreement before the date that is one year after the date on which such report is submitted.

(b) MAINTENANCE BY NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION.—If the Mare Island Naval Cemetery is transferred to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs pursuant to
subsection (a), the National Cemetery Administration shall maintain the cemetery as a national shrine.

(c) Report.—

(1) In general.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Representatives a report on the feasibility and advisability of exercising the authority granted by subsection (a).

(2) Contents.—The report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include the following:

   (A) An assessment of the feasibility and advisability of exercising the authority granted by subsection (a).

   (B) An estimate of the costs, including both direct and indirect costs, that the Department of Veterans Affairs would incur by exercising such authority.