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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Sgt. Fieldy Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INTERMENT OF MILITARY WORKING DOGS IN NA-**
2 **TIONAL CEMETERIES.**

3 (a) INTERMENT OF MILITARY WORKING DOGS.—
4 Section 2402 of title 38, United States Code, is amended
5 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(c)(1) In addition to the persons specified in sub-
7 section (a), under such regulations as the Secretary may
8 prescribe, the remains of any covered dog may be interred
9 in any open national cemetery under the control of the
10 National Cemetery Administration.

11 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘covered dog’ means
12 a deceased dog that, at any time before death, was a mili-
13 tary working dog, as described in section 2583(i) of title
14 10.”.

15 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-
16 section (a) shall apply with respect to deaths occurring
17 on or after the day that is one year before the date of
18 the enactment of this Act.

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