Summary of H.R. 1627, as amended
Honoring American Veterans Act of 2011

Title: To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for certain requirements for the placement of monuments in Arlington National Cemetery, and for other purposes.

Mr. Miller of Florida introduced H.R. 1627 on April 15, 2011.

H.R. 1627, as amended, would:
- Codify the current practice at Arlington National Cemetery regarding the type, placement, and funding of commemorative monuments.
- Codify the current prohibition on the reservations of gravesites.
- Require the Department of the Army to submit a report within 180 days detailing the number of reservation requests made to Arlington National Cemetery before January 1, 1962.
- Establish that an appropriate site on Chaplains Hill in Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of Jewish chaplains who died while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States provided the Secretary of the Army has exclusive authority to approve the design and site of the memorial marker.
- Honor the members of the Armed Forces who are serving in Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn and the members and veterans who have previously served in those conflicts.

Effective Date: Date of enactment.

Legislative History:
May 3, 2011:   Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
May 5, 2011:   Ordered reported, as amended, by the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
May 12, 2011: Ordered reported, as amended, by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs by voice vote.
May 20, 2011: Reported, H. Rept. 112-84, Part 1.
May 23, 2011: House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the bill by the Yeas and Nays: 380-0, Roll No. 330.
May 25, 2011: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 13 without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.
May 26, 2011: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 4 with an amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.