

H.R. 6420: To permit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a grant program to conduct cemetery research and produce educational materials for the Veterans Legacy Program

## **Background:**

The Veterans Legacy Program (VLP) is a program run by the National Cemetery Administration (NCA). The main mission of NCA is to honor veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice. VLP is charged with providing engagement and educational tools for the public to learn more about the service and sacrifice of veterans. VLP does this by sharing veterans' stories with the public as well as engaging with educators and students.

H.R. 6420 would permit the Secretary of the VA to establish a grant program, which would help fund cemetery research as well as produce educational materials for the VLP. This would further enable VLP to carry out its mission and continue to educate others about veterans. The eligible recipients of the grant would include institutions of higher learning, local educational agencies, non-profits that historically are found to engage with the community and any recipient the Secretary determines appropriate.

## The Message:

- H.R. 6420 would establish a grant program to conduct cemetery research and produce educational materials for the Veterans Legacy Program.
- The eligible recipients of the grant would include institutions of higher learning, local educational agencies, non-profit entities that the Secretary determines have a history of community engagement and any recipient the Secretary deems appropriate.
- The legislation would expand public education on the service and sacrifice of the nation's veterans.