H. R. 4982

To establish the Agent Orange Veterans Service Medal.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

August 6, 2021

Mr. Van Drew introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To establish the Agent Orange Veterans Service Medal.

- 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 "Agent Orange Service
- 5 Medal Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AGENT ORANGE VET-
- 7 ERANS SERVICE MEDAL.
- 8 (a) Service Medal Required.—The Secretary of
- 9 Defense shall design and produce a commemorative mili-
- 10 tary service medal, to be known as the "Agent Orange
- 11 Veterans Service Medal", to honor veterans who receive

- 1 compensation under section 1116 or 1116A of title 38,
- 2 United States Code.

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- 3 (b) Distribution of Medal.—
- 4 (1) Issuance to certain veterans.—At the 5 request of a veteran described in subsection (a), the 6 Secretary of Defense shall issue the Agent Orange 7 Veterans Service Medal to the veteran.
 - (2) Issuance to Next-of-kin.—In the case of a veteran described in subsection (a) who is deceased, the Secretary may provide for issuance of the Agent Orange Veterans Service Medal to the next-of-kin of the veteran.
 - (3) APPLICATION.—The Secretary shall prepare and disseminate as appropriate an application by which veterans described in subsection (a) and their next-of-kin may apply to receive the Agent Orange Veterans Service Medal.

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