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To amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize and honor the service of individuals who served in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. WARREN (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. KING, Mr. DAINES, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. TESTER, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CRAMER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 “United States Cadet
5 Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. RECOGNITION AND HONORING OF SERVICE OF IN-**
2 **DIVIDUALS WHO SERVED IN UNITED STATES**
3 **CADET NURSE CORPS DURING WORLD WAR**
4 **II.**

5 Section 106 of title 38, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(g)(1)(A) Service as a member of the United States
9 Cadet Nurse Corps during the period beginning on July
10 1, 1943, and ending on December 31, 1948, of any indi-
11 vidual who was honorably discharged therefrom pursuant
12 to subparagraph (B) shall be considered active duty for
13 purposes of eligibility and entitlement to benefits under
14 chapters 23 and 24 of this title (including with respect
15 to headstones and markers), other than such benefits re-
16 lating to the interment of the individual in Arlington Na-
17 tional Cemetery provided solely by reason of such service.

18 “(B)(i) Not later than one year after the date of the
19 enactment of this subsection, the Secretary of Defense
20 shall issue to each individual who served as a member of
21 the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during the period
22 beginning on July 1, 1943, and ending on December 31,
23 1948, a discharge from such service under honorable con-
24 ditions if the Secretary determines that the nature and
25 duration of the service of the individual so warrants.

1 “(ii) A discharge under clause (i) shall designate the
2 date of discharge. The date of discharge shall be the date,
3 as determined by the Secretary, of the termination of serv-
4 ice of the individual concerned as described in that clause.

5 “(2) An individual who receives a discharge under
6 paragraph (1)(B) for service as a member of the United
7 States Cadet Nurse Corps shall be honored as a veteran
8 but shall not be entitled by reason of such service to any
9 benefit under a law administered by the Secretary of Vet-
10 erans Affairs, except as provided in paragraph (1)(A).

11 “(3) The Secretary of Defense may design and
12 produce a service medal or other commendation, or memo-
13 rial plaque or grave marker, to honor individuals who re-
14 ceive a discharge under paragraph (1)(B).”.