

I voted Yes on H.R. 3874, the Black Hills Cemetery Act.

H.R. 3874 would convey parcels of National Forest System land containing nine cemeteries and associated public lands in the Black Hills of South Dakota to certain local organizations. Currently, the cemeteries are already managed by local cemetery associations and community groups, but they have been technically owned by the Forest Service since the 1900s. Legal ownership of the lands causes unneeded liability for the federal government due to upkeep responsibilities and dealing with possible damage to the properties.

The Congressional Budget Office estimates that the bill would have a negligible impact on the federal budget.

The bill was approved by a vote of 400 – 1.