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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the subjects recommended by the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee in accordance with section 5135 of title 31, United States Code, and for other purposes.

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Mr. MINETA (for himself, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. YATES, Mr. HOYER, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. LIGHTFOOT, and Mrs. CUBIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

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 Com-
5 memorative Coins Act of 1995”.

1 **TITLE I—SPECIFIC COINS**
2 **AUTHORIZED**

3 **SEC. 101. BICENTENNIAL OF UNITED STATES GOLD COIN-**
4 **AGE.**

5 (a) DENOMINATION.—In commemoration of the bi-
6 centennial of United States gold coinage, the Secretary of
7 the Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Sec-
8 retary”) shall mint and issue not more than 25,000 10
9 dollar gold coins, which shall have such weight, diameter,
10 and contents as the Secretary determines to be appro-
11 priate.

12 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
13 coins minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
14 bicentennial of United States gold coinage.

15 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
16 mint coins under this section only during the 1-year period
17 ending on December 31, 1995.

18 **SEC. 102. UNITED NATIONS AND HARRY S TRUMAN.**

19 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—In commemoration of the
20 50th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations
21 and the role of President Harry S Truman in the founding
22 of the United Nations, the Secretary shall mint and issue
23 the following coins:

24 (1) \$5 GOLD COINS.—Not more than 75,000 5
25 dollar coins, which shall—

1 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;
2 (B) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and
3 (C) contain 90 percent gold and 10 percent
4 alloy.

5 (2) \$1 SILVER COINS.—Not more than 350,000
6 1 dollar coins, which shall—

7 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;
8 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and
9 (C) contain 90 percent silver and 10 per-
10 cent copper.

11 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
12 coins minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
13 50th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations
14 and the role of President Harry S Truman in the founding
15 of the United Nations.

16 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
17 issue coins minted under this section only during the 1-
18 year period beginning on the date the 1st such coins are
19 issued in 1996.

20 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under
21 this section shall include a surcharge of—

22 (1) \$35 per coin for the \$5 coin; and
23 (2) \$10 per coin for the \$1 coin.

24 (e) RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION.—All surcharges re-
25 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under

1 this section shall be promptly distributed by the Secretary
2 as follows:

3 (1) 50 percent shall be paid to the Harry S
4 Truman Library Foundation for the purpose of sup-
5 porting and maintaining the Harry S Truman Li-
6 brary.

7 (2) 50 percent shall be paid to the United Na-
8 tions Association for the purpose of assisting with
9 educational activities, such as high school and col-
10 lege model United Nations' programs and other
11 grassroots activities, that highlight the United Na-
12 tions and the role of the United States in that world
13 body.

14 **SEC. 103. SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.**

15 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—In commemoration of the ses-
16 quicentennial of the founding of the Smithsonian Institu-
17 tion, the Secretary shall mint and issue the following
18 coins:

19 (1) \$5 GOLD COINS.—Not more than 100,000 5
20 dollar coins, which shall—

21 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;

22 (B) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and

23 (C) contain 90 percent gold and 10 percent
24 alloy.

1 (2) \$1 SILVER COINS.—Not more than 800,000
2 1 dollar coins, which shall—

3 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;

4 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

5 (C) contain 90 percent silver and 10 per-
6 cent copper.

7 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The design of the coins
9 minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
10 scientific, educational, and cultural significance of
11 the Smithsonian Institution.

12 (2) ADDITIONAL INSCRIPTION.—In addition to
13 the inscriptions required under section 203(a), on
14 each coin minted under this section there shall be an
15 inscription of the following phrase from the original
16 bequest of James Smithson: “for the increase and
17 diffusion of knowledge”.

18 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
19 issue coins minted under this section only during the pe-
20 riod beginning on August 1, 1996, and ending on July
21 31, 1997.

22 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under
23 this section shall include a surcharge of—

24 (1) \$35 per coin for the \$5 coin; and

25 (2) \$10 per coin for the \$1 coin.

1 (e) RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION.—All surcharges re-
2 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under
3 this section shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the
4 Smithsonian Institution for the purpose of supporting the
5 National Numismatic Collection at the National Museum
6 of American History.

7 **SEC. 104. FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT.**

8 (a) DENOMINATION.—In commemoration of the pub-
9 lic opening of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial in
10 Washington, DC, which will honor President Roosevelt's
11 leadership and legacy in shaping life in the United States
12 as we know it today, the Secretary shall mint and issue
13 not more than 100,000 5 dollar coins, which shall—

- 14 (1) weigh 8.359 grams;
15 (2) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and
16 (3) contain 90 percent gold and 10 percent
17 alloy.

18 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
19 coins minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
20 leadership and legacy of Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

21 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
22 issue coins minted under this section only during the pe-
23 riod beginning on January 1, 1997, and ending on Decem-
24 ber 31, 1997.

1 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under
2 this section shall include a surcharge of \$35 per coin.

3 (e) RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION.—All surcharges re-
4 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under
5 this section shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the
6 Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission for the
7 purpose of supporting and maintaining the Franklin Dela-
8 no Roosevelt Memorial.

9 **SEC. 105. YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK.**

10 (a) DENOMINATION.—In commemoration of the
11 125th anniversary of the establishment of the 1st national
12 park in the United States, Yellowstone National Park, and
13 the birth of the concept of a national park, the Secretary
14 shall mint and issue not more than 500,000 1 dollar coins,
15 which shall—

16 (1) weigh 26.73 grams;

17 (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

18 (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
19 copper.

20 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
21 coins minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
22 125th anniversary of the establishment of the 1st national
23 park in the United States, Yellowstone National Park.

24 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
25 issue coins minted under this section only during the pe-

1 riod beginning on January 1, 1997, and ending on Decem-
2 ber 31, 1997.

3 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under
4 this section shall include a surcharge of \$10 per coin.

5 (e) RECIPIENT ORGANIZATIONS.—All surcharges re-
6 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under
7 this section shall be promptly distributed by the Secretary
8 as follows:

9 (1) 50 percent shall be paid to the National
10 Park Foundation for the purpose of supporting na-
11 tional parks.

12 (2) 50 percent shall be paid to the Yellowstone
13 National Park for the purpose of supporting Yellow-
14 stone National Park.

15 **SEC. 106. NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMO-**
16 **RIAL.**

17 (a) DENOMINATION.—In commemoration of the sac-
18 rifices of law enforcement officers and their families in
19 preserving public safety, the Secretary shall mint and
20 issue not more than 500,000 1 dollar coins, which shall—

21 (1) weigh 26.73 grams;

22 (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

23 (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent
24 copper.

1 (b) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—The design of the
2 coins minted under this section shall be emblematic of the
3 sacrifices of law enforcement officers and their families in
4 preserving public safety.

5 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may issue
7 coins minted under this section only during the pe-
8 riod beginning on January 1, 1997, and ending on
9 December 31, 1997.

10 (2) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Sec-
11 retary shall begin issuing coins under this section
12 not later than May 1, 1997.

13 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under
14 this section shall include a surcharge of \$10 per coin.

15 (e) RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION.—All surcharges re-
16 ceived by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under
17 this section shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the
18 National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Inc.
19 (the nonprofit organization established to raise funds for
20 and oversee the construction of the National Law Enforce-
21 ment Officers Memorial in Washington, DC) for the pur-
22 pose of supporting the National Law Enforcement Officers
23 Memorial and related programs.

1 **TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

2 **SEC. 201. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS.**

3 (a) **LEGAL TENDER.**—The coins minted under this
4 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
5 title 31, United States Code.

6 (b) **NUMISMATIC ITEMS.**—For purposes of section
7 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
8 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

9 (c) **RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION DEFINED.**—For pur-
10 poses of this Act, the term “recipient organization”
11 means, with respect to any coins issued under any section
12 of title I (other than section 101), the organization des-
13 ignated, under subsection (e) of such section, as the recipi-
14 ent of surcharges from the sale of such coins.

15 **SEC. 202. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

16 (a) **GOLD.**—The Secretary shall obtain gold for mint-
17 ing coins under this Act pursuant to the authority of the
18 Secretary under other provisions of law.

19 (b) **SILVER.**—The Secretary shall obtain silver for
20 minting coins under this Act only from stockpiles estab-
21 lished under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock
22 Piling Act.

23 **SEC. 203. DESIGN OF COINS.**

24 (a) **DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.**—On each coin
25 minted under this Act there shall be—

1 (1) a designation of the value of the coin;

2 (2) an inscription of the year of issuance of the
3 coin (or, in the case of coins issued in more than 1
4 year, the 1st year of issuance); and

5 (3) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”, “In
6 God We Trust”, “United States of America”, and
7 “E Pluribus Unum”.

8 (b) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted
9 under any section of title I shall be—

10 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
11 with each recipient organization with respect to such
12 coins and the Commission of Fine Arts; and

13 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative
14 Coin Advisory Committee.

15 **SEC. 204. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

16 (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this
17 Act shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

18 (b) MINT FACILITY.—Only 1 facility of the United
19 States Mint may be used to strike any particular combina-
20 tion of denomination and quality of the coins minted under
21 this Act.

22 **SEC. 205. SALE OF COINS.**

23 (a) SALE PRICE.—The coins issued under this Act
24 shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum
25 of—

1 (1) the face value of the coins;

2 (2) the surcharge provided under the appro-
3 priate section of title I with respect to each such
4 coin; and

5 (3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins
6 (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,
7 overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

8 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk
9 sales of the coins issued under this Act at a reasonable
10 discount.

11 (c) PREPAID ORDERS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept
13 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
14 before the issuance of such coins.

15 (2) DISCOUNT.—Sale prices with respect to pre-
16 paid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a rea-
17 sonable discount.

18 **SEC. 206. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**
19 **TIONS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
21 (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public
22 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods
23 and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of
24 this Act.

1 (b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Sub-
2 section (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a con-
3 tract under the authority of this Act from complying with
4 any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

5 **SEC. 207. AUDITS OF SURCHARGES.**

6 The Comptroller General of the United States shall
7 have the right to examine such books, records, documents,
8 and other data of each recipient organization with respect
9 to coins issued under this Act as may be related to the
10 expenditures of amounts paid to such organization by the
11 Secretary of the Treasury under title I.

12 **SEC. 208. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

13 (a) NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.—The Sec-
14 retary shall take such actions as may be necessary to en-
15 sure that minting and issuing coins under this Act will
16 not result in any net cost to the United States Govern-
17 ment.

18 (b) PAYMENT FOR COINS.—A coin shall not be issued
19 under this Act unless the Secretary has received—

20 (1) full payment for the coin;

21 (2) security satisfactory to the Secretary to in-
22 demnify the United States for full payment; or

23 (3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to
24 the Secretary from a depository institution whose
25 deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insur-

1 ance Corporation or the National Credit Union Ad-
2 ministration Board.

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