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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Faleomavaega introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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Additional sponsors: Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Sablan, and Mrs. Christensen

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FURNISHING OF STATUES FOR STATUARY
HALL BY TERRITORIES.

(a) In General.—The President is authorized to in-
vite each territory of the United States to provide and fur-
nish a statue in marble or bronze of a deceased person
who has been a citizen thereof, and illustrious for the per-
son’s historic renown or for distinguished civic or military
services, such as the territory may deem to be worthy of
this national commemoration; and when so furnished, the
same shall be placed in Statuary Hall in the United States
Capitol.

(b) Limitation.—No statue of any individual may
be placed in Statuary Hall pursuant to this Act until after
the expiration of the 10-year period which begins on the
date of the individual’s death.

SEC. 2. REPLACEMENT OF STATUES.

(a) Request by Territory.—

(1) In General.—A territory of the United
States may request the Joint Committee on the Li-

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(2) CONDITIONS.—A request shall be considered under paragraph (1) only if—

(A) the request has been approved by a resolution adopted by the legislature of the territory and the request has been approved by the Governor of the territory; and

(B) the statue to be replaced has been displayed in the United States Capitol for at least 10 years as of the time the request is made, except that the Joint Committee may waive this requirement for cause at the request of the territory.

(b) AGREEMENT UPON APPROVAL.—If the Joint Committee on the Library of Congress approves a request under subsection (a), the Architect of the Capitol shall enter into an agreement with the territory to carry out the replacement in accordance with the request and any conditions the Joint Committee may require for its approval. Such agreement shall provide that—

(1) the new statue shall be subject to the same conditions and restrictions as apply to any statue provided by the territory under section 1; and

(2) the territory shall pay any costs related to the replacement, including costs in connection with the design, construction, transportation, and place-
ment of the new statue, the removal and transpor-
tation of the statue being replaced, and any unveil-
ing ceremony.

(e) LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF STATUES.—Nothing
in this section shall be interpreted to permit any territory
of the United States to have more than 1 statue on display
in the United States Capitol.

(d) OWNERSHIP OF REPLACED STATUES.—

(1) TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP.—Subject to the
approval of the Joint Committee on the Library,
ownership of any statue replaced under this section
shall be transferred to the territory involved.

(2) PROHIBITING SUBSEQUENT DISPLAY IN
CAPITOL.—If any statue is removed from the United
States Capitol as part of a transfer of ownership
under paragraph (1), then it may not be returned to
the Capitol for display unless such display is specifi-
cally authorized by Federal law.

(e) RELOCATION OF STATUES.—The Architect of the
Capitol, upon the approval of the Joint Committee on the
Library and with the advice of the Commission of Fine
Arts as requested, is authorized and directed to provide
for the reception, location, and relocation of any statue
received on or after the date of the enactment of this Act
from a territory of the United States under section 1.
SEC. 3. TERRITORY DEFINED.

In this Act, the term “territory of the United States” means American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands.
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