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# H. R. 4199

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FOX introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

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## 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 “Laurie Beechman  
5       Ovarian Cancer Commemorative Coin Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

7       (a) \$1 SILVER COINS.—The Secretary of the Treas-  
8       ury (in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”) shall mint  
9       and issue not more than 350,000 \$1 coins, which shall—

10               (1) weigh 26.73 grams;

1           (2) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and  
2           (3) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent  
3       copper.

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

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

10 **SEC. 3. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

11       The Secretary shall obtain silver for minting coins  
12 under this Act only from stockpiles established under the  
13 Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act.

14 **SEC. 4. DESIGN OF COINS.**

15       (a) **DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.**—

16           (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The design of the coins  
17 minted under this Act shall be emblematic of Laurie  
18 Beechman, her struggle against ovarian cancer, and  
19 her many accomplishments throughout her extraor-  
20 dinary life.

21           (2) **DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.**—On  
22 each coin minted under this Act there shall be—

23                   (A) a designation of the value of the coin;

24                   (B) an inscription of “1954–1998”; and

1 (C) inscriptions of “Liberty”, “In God We  
2 Trust”, “United States of America”, and “E  
3 Pluribus Unum”.

4 (3) OBVERSE OF COIN.—The obverse of each  
5 coin minted under this Act shall bear the likeness of  
6 Laurie Beechman.

7 (b) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted  
8 under this Act shall be—

9 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation  
10 with the Commission of Fine Arts; and

11 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative  
12 Coin Advisory Committee.

13 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

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

16 (b) MINT FACILITY.—Only 1 facility of the United  
17 States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality  
18 of the coins minted under this Act.

19 (c) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary  
20 may issue coins minted under this Act as soon as is prac-  
21 ticable.

22 (d) TERMINATION OF MINTING AUTHORITY.—No  
23 coins may be minted under this Act after December 31,  
24 1999.

1 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

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

5 (1) the face value of the coins;

6 (2) the surcharge provided in subsection (d)  
7 with respect to such coins; and

8 (3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins  
9 (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,  
10 overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

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

14 (c) PREPAID ORDERS.—

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

18 (2) DISCOUNT.—Prices with respect to prepaid  
19 orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a reasonable  
20 discount.

21 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales shall include a sur-  
22 charge of \$9 per coin.

23 **SEC. 7. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**  
24 **TIONS.**

25 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection  
26 (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public

1 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods  
2 and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of  
3 this Act.

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

8 **SEC. 8. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—All surcharges received by the  
10 Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act shall  
11 be promptly paid by the Secretary to Gilda’s Club, Incor-  
12 porated, for purposes relating to the battle against ovarian  
13 cancer.

14 (b) AUDITS.—The Comptroller General of the United  
15 States shall have the right to examine such books, records,  
16 documents, and other data of Gilda’s Club, Incorporated,  
17 as may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid  
18 under subsection (a).

19 **SEC. 9. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

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

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

3           (1) full payment for the coin;

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

6           (3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to  
7 the Secretary from a depository institution whose  
8 deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insur-  
9 ance Corporation or the National Credit Union Ad-  
10 ministration Board.

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