

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 145

To amend section 1369 of title 18, United States Code, to extend Federal jurisdiction over destruction of veterans' memorials on State or local government property.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2007

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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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 “Protect our Veterans  
5       Memorials Act of 2007”.

**6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds that—

8                   (1) crimes against United States military veter-  
9                   ans' memorials on public property dishonor all

1       American servicemen and women and their sacrifices  
2       for the Nation's defense; and

3               (2) Federal prosecution of crimes against such  
4       veterans' memorials on public property is in the na-  
5       tional interest of honoring the Nation's military vet-  
6       erans.

7   **SEC. 3. FEDERAL JURISDICTION OVER DESTRUCTION OF**  
8               **VETERANS' MEMORIALS ON STATE OR LOCAL**  
9               **GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.**

10       Section 1369(b)(2) of title 18, United States Code,  
11       is amended by inserting “, or a State or local government”  
12       after “Federal Government”.

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