S. 3034

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 24, 2010

Mr. Schumer (for himself, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Warner) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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 "National September
- 5 11 Memorial & Museum Commemorative Medal Act of
- 6 2010".

1 SEC. 2. STRIKING AND DESIGN OF MEDALS.

2	(a) Striking of Medals.—In commemoration of
3	the 10th anniversary of the September 11, 2001, terrorist
4	attacks on the United States and the establishment of the
5	National September 11 Memorial & Museum at the World
6	Trade Center, the Secretary of the Treasury (in this Act
7	referred to as the "Secretary") shall strike and make
8	available for sale not more than 2,000,000 silver medals,
9	each of which shall contain 1 ounce of silver.
10	(b) Design Requirement.—
11	(1) In general.—The design of the medals
12	struck under this Act shall be emblematic of the
13	courage, sacrifice, and strength of those individuals
14	who perished in the terrorist attacks of September
15	11, 2001, the bravery of those who risked their lives
16	to save others that day, and the endurance, resil-
17	ience, and hope of those who survived.
18	(2) Inscriptions.—On each medal struck
19	under this Act, there shall be—
20	(A) an inscription of the years "2001–
21	2011"; and
22	(B) an inscription of the words "Always
23	Remember".
24	(c) Selection.—The design for the medals struck
25	under this Act shall be—

1	(1) selected by the Secretary, after consultation
2	with the National September 11 Memorial & Mu-
3	seum at the World Trade Center and the Commis-
4	sion of Fine Arts; and
5	(2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
6	Committee.
7	SEC. 3. ISSUANCE OF MEDALS.
8	(a) QUALITY OF MEDALS.—The medals struck under
9	this Act shall be made available for sale in the quality
10	comparable to proof coins.
11	(b) Date of Issuance.—The Secretary may make
12	the medals available for sale under this Act beginning on
13	January 1, 2011.
14	(c) Termination of Authority.—No medals shall
15	be struck under this Act after December 31, 2012.
16	(d) MINT FACILITY.—
17	(1) In general.—Only 2 facilities of the
18	United States Mint may be used to strike medals
19	under this Act.
20	(2) Use of the united states mints at
21	WEST POINT, NEW YORK, AND PHILADELPHIA,
22	PENNSYLVANIA.—It is the sense of Congress that, to
23	the extent possible, approximately one-half of the
24	coins to be struck under this Act should be struck

at the United States Mint at West Point, New York,

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- and approximately one-half struck at the United
- 2 States Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 3 SEC. 4. NUMISMATIC ITEMS.
- 4 For purposes of sections 5134 and 5136 of title 31,
- 5 United States Code, all medals struck under this Act shall
- 6 be considered to be numismatic items.
- 7 SEC. 5. NATIONAL MEDALS.
- 8 The medals struck under this Act are national medals
- 9 for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.
- 10 SEC. 6. SALE OF MEDALS.
- 11 (a) Sales Price.—The medals made available for
- 12 sale under this Act shall be sold by the Secretary at a
- 13 price equal to the sum of—
- 14 (1) the cost of designing and selling such med-
- als (including labor, materials, dies, use of machin-
- ery, overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping);
- 17 and
- 18 (2) the surcharge provided in section 7 with re-
- spect to such medals.
- 20 (b) Bulk Sales.—The Secretary shall make bulk
- 21 sales of medals made available under this Act at a reason-
- 22 able discount.
- (c) Introductory Orders.—

- 1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept 2 introductory orders for medals made available for 3 sale under this Act.
- 4 (2) DISCOUNT.—Sale prices with respect to introductory orders under paragraph (1) shall be made at a reasonable discount.

7 SEC. 7. SURCHARGES.

- 8 (a) In General.—All sales of medals made available
- 9 for sale under this Act shall include a surcharge of \$10
- 10 per medal.
- 11 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f) of
- 12 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges received by
- 13 the Secretary from the sale of medals under this Act shall
- 14 be paid to the National September 11 Memorial & Mu-
- 15 seum at the World Trade Center to support the operations
- 16 and maintenance of the National September 11 Memorial
- 17 & Museum at the World Trade Center following its com-
- 18 pletion.
- 19 (c) Audits.—The Comptroller General of the United
- 20 States shall have the right to examine such books, records,
- 21 documents, and other data of the National September 11
- 22 Memorial & Museum at the World Trade Center as may
- 23 be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under sub-
- 24 section (b).