

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 222

To amend the World War I Centennial Commission Act to provide for the designation of memorials to the service of members of the United States Armed Forces in World War I, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 14, 2013

Mr. POE of Texas (for himself, Mr. CLEAVER, and Mr. AL GREEN of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Frank Buckles World
5 War I Memorial Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF MEMORIALS TO THE SERVICE OF**
2 **MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED**
3 **FORCES IN WORLD WAR I.**

4 (a) MEMORIAL DESIGNATIONS.—The World War I
5 Centennial Commission Act is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating section 9 as section 11;

7 and

8 (2) by inserting after section 8 the following
9 new sections:

10 **“SEC. 9. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL WORLD WAR I MU-**
11 **SEUM AND MEMORIAL IN KANSAS CITY, MIS-**
12 **SOURI.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Liberty Memorial of Kansas
14 City at America’s National World War I Museum in Kan-
15 sas City, Missouri, is hereby designated as the ‘National
16 World War I Museum and Memorial’.

17 “(b) CEREMONIES.—The Centennial Commission
18 may plan, develop, and execute ceremonies to recognize
19 the designation of the Liberty Memorial of Kansas City
20 as the National World War I Museum and Memorial.

21 **“SEC. 10. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL WORLD WAR I ME-**
22 **MORIAL IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

23 “(a) AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH COMMEMORATIVE
24 WORK.—The World War I Memorial Foundation may es-
25 tablish a commemorative work on Federal land in the Re-
26 serve on the National Mall in the District of Columbia

1 to consist of an appropriate sculptural or other commemo-
2 rative elements to serve as the National World War I Me-
3 morial.

4 “(b) LIMITATION ON SIZE OF MEMORIAL.—The Na-
5 tional World War I Memorial may not exceed 0.5 acres
6 in size.

7 “(c) COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS FOR COM-
8 MEMORATIVE WORKS.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 89 of title 40,
10 United States Code, shall apply to the establishment
11 of the National World War I Memorial in the Dis-
12 trict of Columbia and its environs.

13 “(2) EXCEPTION FROM PROHIBITION ON ADDI-
14 TIONAL COMMEMORATIVE WORKS IN RESERVE.—
15 Section 8908(c) of title 40, United States Code, does
16 not apply with respect to the selection of the site for
17 the National World War I Memorial.

18 “(3) NO INFRINGEMENT UPON EXISTING MEMO-
19 RIAL.—The site selected for the National World War
20 I Memorial may not infringe upon or adversely im-
21 pact the District of Columbia War Memorial.

22 “(d) LIMITATION ON TOTAL COST.—The total cost
23 to design and construct the National World War I Memo-
24 rial may not exceed \$10,000,000.

25 “(e) DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.—

1 “(1) UPON ESTABLISHMENT OF MEMORIAL.—

2 If, upon payment of all expenses for the establish-
3 ment of the National World War I Memorial (includ-
4 ing the maintenance and preservation amount re-
5 quired by section 8906(b)(1) of title 40, United
6 States Code), there remains a balance of funds re-
7 ceived for the establishment of the memorial, the
8 Memorial Foundation shall transmit the amount of
9 the balance to the account provided for in section
10 8906(b)(3) of such title.

11 “(2) UPON EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY TO ES-
12 TABLISH MEMORIAL.—If, upon expiration of the au-
13 thority for the National World War I Memorial
14 under section 8903(e) of title 40, United States
15 Code, there remains a balance of funds received for
16 the establishment of the memorial, the Memorial
17 Foundation shall transmit the amount of the balance
18 to a separate account with the National Park Foun-
19 dation for memorials, to be available to the Sec-
20 retary of the Interior or Administrator of General
21 Services (as appropriate) following the process pro-
22 vided in section 8906(b)(4) of such title for accounts
23 established under section 8906(b)(3) of such title.

1 “(f) CEREMONIES.—The Centennial Commission
 2 may plan, develop, and execute ceremonies to recognize
 3 the establishment of the National World War I Memorial.

4 “(g) RESERVE DEFINED.—In this section, the term
 5 ‘Reserve’ has the meaning given that term in section
 6 8902(a)(3) of title 40, United States Code.”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents in
 8 section 1(b) of such Act is amended by striking the item
 9 relating to section 9 and inserting the following new items:

“Sec. 9. Designation of National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kan-
 sas City, Missouri.

“Sec. 10. Establishment of National World War I Memorial in the District of
 Columbia.

“Sec. 11. Prohibition on obligation of Federal funds.”.

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