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Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. DECONCINI, Mr. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DURENBERGER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GORTON, Mr. HATCH, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mrs. KASSEBAUM, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. PELL, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SIMON, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CRAIG, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MACK, Mr. METZENBAUM, Mr. HEFLIN, Mr. ROTH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MITCHELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BURNS, Mr. GLENN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. ROBB, Mr. PACKWOOD, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COATS, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. LOTT) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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Reported by Mr. RIEGLE, with amendments

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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of women who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States.

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 “Women in the Armed
5 Forces Commemorative Coins Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE COMMEMORATIVE**
7 **COINS.**

8 The Secretary of the Treasury (hereafter in this Act
9 referred to as the “Secretary”) shall mint and issue coins
10 in accordance with this Act to commemorate the women
11 who have served in the Armed Forces of the United
12 States.

13 **SEC. 3. SPECIFICATIONS OF COINS.**

14 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary shall mint and
15 issue the following coins:

16 (1) FIVE DOLLAR GOLD COINS.—Not more than
17 50,000 five dollar gold coins, each of which shall—

18 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;

19 (B) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and

20 (C) be composed of 90 percent gold and 10
21 percent alloy.

22 (2) ONE DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—Not more
23 than 500,000 one dollar silver coins, each of which
24 shall—

25 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;

1 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and
2 (C) be composed of 90 percent silver and
3 10 percent 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 **SEC. 4. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

8 (a) GOLD.—The Secretary shall obtain gold for mint-
9 ing coins under this Act pursuant to the authority of the
10 Secretary under existing law.

11 (b) SILVER.—The Secretary shall obtain silver for
12 minting coins under this Act only from stockpiles estab-
13 lished under the Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Pil-
14 ing Act.

15 **SEC. 5. DESIGN OF COINS.**

16 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The design of the coins au-
18 thorized under this Act shall, in accordance with
19 subsection (b), be symbolic of women's service in the
20 Armed Forces of the United States.

21 (2) DESIGNATIONS AND INSCRIPTIONS.—Each
22 coin authorized under this Act shall bear a designa-
23 tion of the value of the coin, an inscription of the
24 year the coin is issued, and inscriptions of the words

1 “Liberty”, “In God We Trust”, “United States of
2 America”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

3 (b) SELECTION OF DESIGN.—The design for each
4 coin authorized by this Act shall be selected by the Sec-
5 retary after consultation with the Women in Military Serv-
6 ice for America Memorial Foundation and the Commission
7 of Fine Arts. *As required by section 5135 of title 31, United*
8 *States Code, the design shall also be reviewed by the Citizens*
9 *Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee.*

10 **SEC. 6. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

11 (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this
12 Act may be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

13 (b) MINT FACILITY.—Only one facility of the United
14 States Mint may be used to strike any particular combina-
15 tion of denomination and quality for the coins minted
16 under this Act.

17 (c) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary
18 may issue the coins minted under this Act beginning on
19 November 1, 1993.

20 (d) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Coins may not
21 be minted under this Act after the date that is 1 year
22 after the date on which the Secretary commences the issu-
23 ing of coins under this section.

24 (e) PROMOTION CONSULTATION.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—In consultation with the
2 Women in Military Service for America Memorial
3 Foundation, the Secretary shall determine the role
4 such Foundation shall have in the promotion, adver-
5 tising, or marketing of the coins authorized under
6 this Act.

7 (2) CONTRACT.—The Secretary shall enter into
8 a contract involving the promotion, advertising, or
9 marketing of such coins with the Foundation if the
10 Secretary decides such a contract would be beneficial
11 in the sale of the coins.

12 **SEC. 7. SALE OF COINS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall sell coins
14 minted under this Act at a price equal to the sum of the
15 face value of the coins, the surcharge provided in sub-
16 section (d) with respect to such coins, and the cost of de-
17 signing and issuing the coins (including labor, materials,
18 dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses).

19 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make any
20 bulk sales of the coins minted under this Act at a reason-
21 able discount to reflect the lower costs of such sales.

22 (c) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept
23 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act prior
24 to the issuance of such coins. Sale prices with respect to
25 such prepaid orders shall be at a reasonable discount.

1 (d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins minted under
2 this Act shall include a surcharge of \$40 per coin for the
3 5 dollar coins and \$11 per coin for the one dollar coins.

4 **SEC. 8. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

5 (a) NO NET COST TO GOVERNMENT.—The Secretary
6 shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that
7 minting and issuing coins under this Act will not result
8 in any net cost to the Federal Government.

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

11 (1) full payment for the coin;

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

14 (3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to
15 the Secretary from a depository institution whose
16 deposits are insured by the Federal Government.

17 **SEC. 9. USE OF SURCHARGES.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Surcharges received from the sale
19 of coins minted under this Act shall be transferred by the
20 Secretary to the Women in Military Service for America
21 Memorial Foundation, and used to create, to endow, and
22 to dedicate the Women in the Armed Forces Memorial.

23 (b) USE OF FUNDS IF NOT USED FOR MEMORIAL.—
24 Of the amounts received by the Women in Military Service
25 for America Memorial Foundation, any amount in excess

1 of the amount spent by the Foundation for the uses de-
2 scribed in subsection (a) shall be transferred to the Sec-
3 retary for deposit in the account provided for in section
4 8(b)(1) of the Act entitled “An Act to provide standards
5 for placement of commemorative works on certain Federal
6 lands in the District of Columbia and its environs, and
7 for other purposes” and approved November 14, 1986 (40
8 U.S.C. 1008).

9 (c) AUDITS.—The Comptroller General of the United
10 States shall conduct an annual audit of any books,
11 records, documents, and other data belonging to the
12 Women in Military Service for America Memorial Founda-
13 tion as may be related to the expenditure of amounts paid
14 under subsection (a).

15 **SEC. 10. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**
16 **TIONS.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
18 (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public
19 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods
20 and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of
21 this Act relating to the minting or selling of the coins au-
22 thorized by this Act.

23 (b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Sub-
24 section (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a con-

1 tract under the authority of this Act from complying with
2 any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

3 **SEC. 11. COINAGE PROFIT FUND.**

4 (a) DEPOSITS.—All amounts received from the sale
5 of coins issued under this Act shall be deposited in the
6 coinage profit fund.

7 (b) PAYMENTS.—The Secretary shall pay the
8 amounts authorized under section 9 from the coinage prof-
9 it fund.

10 (c) EXPENDITURES.—The Secretary shall charge the
11 coinage profit fund with all expenditures under this Act.

12 **SEC. 11. NUMISMATIC PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FUND.**

13 *The coins issued under this Act are subject to the pro-*
14 *visions of section 5134 of title 31, United States Code, relat-*
15 *ing to the Numismatic Public Enterprise Fund.*