

106TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5268

To authorize the design and construction of a temporary education center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2000

Mr. MURTHA (for himself, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. EVANS, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. DIXON, Mr. BARCIA, and Mr. KOLBE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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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 “Vietnam Veterans Me-  
5 morial Education Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY EDUCATION CEN-**

7 **TER AT THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL.**

8 Public Law 96–297 (16 U.S.C. 431 note), which au-  
9 thorized the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the District

1 of Columbia, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
2 lowing new section:

3 **“SEC. 6. TEMPORARY EDUCATION CENTER.**

4 “(a) CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED.—The Vietnam  
5 Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc., may construct a temporary  
6 education center for the purpose of educating people about  
7 the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

8 “(b) ELEMENTS.—The Center shall—

9 “(1) be placed on the grounds of the Vietnam  
10 Veterans Memorial;

11 “(2) replace the National Park Service visitor  
12 center located on the grounds as of the date of the  
13 enactment of this section; and

14 “(3) have an area of not to exceed 1,200 square  
15 feet.

16 “(c) DURATION.—The Center shall be a temporary  
17 structure to be erected for a period of 10 years beginning  
18 on the date of completion of construction of the Center.  
19 On expiration of such period, Congress may reevaluate the  
20 continuing need for the Center.

21 “(d) CONSULTATION.—In designing the Center, the  
22 Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc., shall consult with  
23 the Commission on Fine Arts.

1       “(e) RELATION TO COMMEMORATIVE WORKS ACT.—  
2 The Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.)  
3 shall not apply to the design and placement of the Center.

4       “(f) FUNDING.—All funds required for the design  
5 and construction of the Center shall be provided by the  
6 Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc.

7       “(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8           “(1) CENTER.—The term ‘Center’ means the  
9 temporary education center authorized by this sec-  
10 tion.

11           “(2) VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL.—The  
12 term ‘Vietnam Veterans Memorial’ has the meaning  
13 given that term in section 5(f).”.

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