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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to redesign the \$1 bill so as to incorporate the preamble to the Constitution of the United States, a list describing the Articles of the Constitution, and a list describing the Articles of Amendment, on the reverse side of such currency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 2, 1999

Mr. BLILEY (for himself, Mr. BATEMAN, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. PICKETT, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GOODE, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. COBLE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COOK, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. EHRLICH, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HORN, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. KASICH, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LAZIO, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. METCALF, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. PITTS, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. RILEY, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SHIMKUS, and Mr. WELDON of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Liberty Dollar Bill
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 The Congress finds as follows:

6 (1) Many Americans are unaware of the provi-
7 sions of the Constitution of the United States, one
8 of the most remarkable and important documents in
9 world history.

10 (2) An abbreviated version of this important
11 document, consisting of the preamble, a list of the
12 Articles, and a list of the Articles of Amendment,
13 could easily be placed on the reverse side of the \$1
14 Federal reserve note.

15 (3) The placement of an abbreviated version of
16 the Constitution on the \$1 Federal reserve note, a
17 unit of currency used daily by virtually all Ameri-
18 cans, would serve to remind people of the historical
19 importance of the Constitution and its impact on
20 their lives today.

21 (4) Americans would be reminded by the pre-
22 amble of the blessings of liberty; by the Articles, of
23 the framework of the Government; and by the Arti-
24 cles of Amendment, of the historical changes to the
25 document that forms the very core of the American
26 experience.

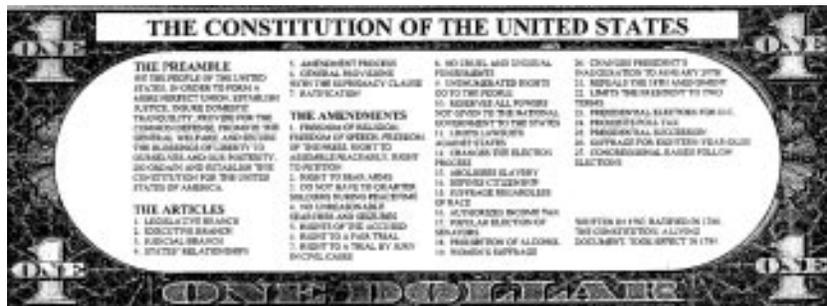
1 **SEC. 3. REDESIGN OF REVERSE SIDE OF THE \$1 BILL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5114 of title 31, United
3 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
4 ing new subsection:

5 “(d) LIBERTY DOLLAR BILLS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the require-
7 ments of subsection (b) (relating to the inclusion of
8 the inscription ‘In God We Trust’ on all United
9 States currency) and the 8th undesignated para-
10 graph of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act, the
11 design of the reverse side of \$1 Federal reserve
12 notes shall incorporate the preamble to the Constitu-
13 tion of the United States, a list describing the Arti-
14 cles of the Constitution, and a list describing the Ar-
15 ticles of Amendment.

16 “(2) DESIGN.—Subject to paragraph (3), the
17 preamble to the Constitution of the United States
18 and the list describing the Articles of the Constitu-
19 tion shall appear on the reverse side of the \$1 Fed-
20 eral reserve note in the following format:



1 “(3) AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.—The require-
2 ments of this subsection shall not be construed as—

3 “(A) prohibiting the inclusion of any other
4 inscriptions or material on the reverse side of
5 the \$1 Federal reserve note which the Secretary
6 may determine to be necessary or appropriate;
7 or

8 “(B) limiting any other authority of the
9 Secretary with regard to the design of the \$1
10 Federal reserve note, including the adoption of
11 any design features to deter the counterfeiting
12 of United States currency.”.

13 (b) DATE OF APPLICATION.—The amendment made
14 by subsection (a) shall apply to \$1 Federal reserve notes
15 which are first placed into circulation after December 31,
16 2000.

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