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To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue coins that are emblematic of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and the service and sacrifice of firefighters throughout the history of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2025

Mr. GARBARINO (for himself, Ms. PETTERSEN, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. MCCLAIN DELANEY, and Mr. HOYER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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,*

3 **SECTION 101. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Fallen Fire-
5 fighters Memorial Coin Act”.

1 **SEC. 102. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

2 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
3 ury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
4 shall mint and issue the following coin:

5 (1) \$5 GOLD COINS.—Not more than 50,000 \$5
6 coins, which shall—

7 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;

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

9 (C) contain not less than 90 percent gold.

10 (2) \$1 SILVER COINS.—Not more than 400,000
11 \$1 coins, which shall—

12 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;

13 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

14 (C) contain not less than 90 percent silver.

15 (3) HALF-DOLLAR CLAD COINS.—Not more
16 than 750,000 half-dollar coins which shall—

17 (A) weigh 11.34 grams;

18 (B) have a diameter of 1.205 inches; and

19 (C) be minted to the specifications for half-
20 dollar coins contained in section 5112(b) of title
21 31, United States Code.

22 (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins minted under this
23 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
24 title 31, United States Code.

1 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section
2 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted
3 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.

4 **SEC. 103. DESIGN OF COINS.**

5 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The design of the coins
7 minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
8 National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and the serv-
9 ice and sacrifice of firefighters throughout the his-
10 tory of the United States.

11 (2) DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On
12 each coin minted under this Act there shall be—

13 (A) a designation of the value of the coin;

14 (B) an inscription of the year “2026”; and

15 (C) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”,

16 “In God We Trust”, “United States of Amer-
17 ica”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

18 (b) SELECTION.—The design for the coins minted
19 under this Act shall be—

20 (1) selected by the Secretary after consultation
21 with the Commission of Fine Arts and the National
22 Fallen Firefighters Foundation; and

23 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
24 Committee.

1 **SEC. 104. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

2 (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this
3 Act shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

4 (b) MINT FACILITIES.—Only 1 facility of the United
5 States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality
6 of the coins minted under this Act.

7 (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may
8 issue coins minted under this Act only during the 1-year
9 period beginning on January 1, 2026.

10 **SEC. 105. SALE OF COINS.**

11 (a) SALE PRICE.—The coins issued under this Act
12 shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum
13 of—

14 (1) the face value of the coins;

15 (2) the surcharge provided in section 106(a)
16 with respect to such coins; and

17 (3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins
18 (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,
19 overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

20 (b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk
21 sales of the coins issued under this Act at a reasonable
22 discount.

23 (c) PREPAID ORDERS.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept
25 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
26 before the issuance of such coins.

1 (2) DISCOUNT.—Sale prices with respect to pre-
2 paid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a rea-
3 sonable discount.

4 **SEC. 106. SURCHARGES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—All sales of coins issued under this
6 Act shall include a surcharge of—

- 7 (1) \$35 per coin for the \$5 coin;
8 (2) \$10 per coin for the \$1 coin; and
9 (3) \$5 per coin for the half-dollar coin.

10 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f)(1) of
11 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges received by
12 the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act
13 shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the National
14 Fallen Firefighters Foundation to support the mission and
15 programs of the Foundation.

16 (c) AUDITS.—The National Fallen Firefighters
17 Foundation shall be subject to the audit requirements of
18 section 5134(f)(2) of title 31, United States Code, with
19 regard to the amounts received under subsection (b).

20 (d) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a),
21 no surcharge may be included with respect to the issuance
22 under this Act of any coin during a calendar year if, as
23 of the time of such issuance, the issuance of such coin
24 would result in the number of commemorative coin pro-
25 grams issued during such year to exceed the annual 2

1 commemorative coin program issuance limitation under
2 section 5112(m)(1) of title 31, United States Code (as in
3 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act). The Sec-
4 retary of the Treasury may issue guidance to carry out
5 this subsection.

6 **SEC. 107. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

7 The Secretary shall take such actions as may be nec-
8 essary to ensure that—

9 (1) minting and issuing coins under this Act
10 will not result in any net cost to the United States
11 Government; and

12 (2) no funds, including applicable surcharges,
13 are disbursed to any recipient designated in section
14 106 until the total cost of designing and issuing all
15 of the coins authorized by this Act (including labor,
16 materials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses,
17 marketing, and shipping) is recovered by the United
18 States Treasury, consistent with sections 5112(m)
19 and 5134(f) of title 31, United States Code.

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