Public Law 103-186
103d Congress

An Act

To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson, Americans who have been prisoners of war, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Memorial, and the Women in Military Service for America Memorial, and for other purposes.

Dec. 14, 1993
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—THOMAS JEFFERSON COMMEMORATIVE COIN

Jefferson Commemorative Coin Act of 1993.
31 USC 5112 note.

SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Jefferson Commemorative Coin Act of 1993".

SEC. 102. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.

(a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

(1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury (hereafter in this title referred to as the "Secretary") shall issue not more than 600,000 one-dollar coins, which shall—

(A) weigh 26.73 grams;

(B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

(C) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent copper.

(2) DESIGN.—The design of the coins issued under this title shall be emblematic of a profile of Thomas Jefferson and a frontal view of his home Monticello. On each coin there shall be a designation of the value of the coin, an inscription of the year "1993", and inscriptions of the words "Liberty", "In God We Trust", "United States of America", and "E Pluribus Unum".

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

(c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section 5132(a)(1) of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted under this title shall be considered to be numismatic items.

SEC. 103. SOURCES OF BULLION.

The Secretary shall obtain silver for the coins minted under this title only from stockpiles established under the Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Piling Act.

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SEC. 104. SELECTION OF DESIGN.

Subject to section 102(a)(2), the design for the coins authorized by this title shall be—

(1) selected by the Secretary after consultation with the Executive Director of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation and the Commission of Fine Arts; and

(2) reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative Advisory Committee.

SEC. 105. ISSUANCE OF COINS.

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

(b) MINT FACILITY.—Only 1 facility of the United States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality of the coins minted under this title.

(c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may issue coins minted under this title during the period beginning on May 1, 1994, and ending on April 30, 1995.

SEC. 106. SALE OF COINS.

(a) SALE PRICE.—The coins authorized under this title shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum of the face value of the coins, the surcharge provided in subsection (c) with respect to such coins, and the cost of designing and issuing the coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

(b) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept prepaid orders for the coins authorized under this title prior to the issuance of such coins. Sale prices with respect to such prepaid orders shall be at a reasonable discount.

(c) SURCHARGES.—All sales shall include a surcharge of $10 per coin.

SEC. 107. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this title.

(b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Subsection (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a contract under the authority of this title from complying with any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

SEC. 108. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.

All surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this title shall be promptly paid by the Secretary—

(1) in the case of surcharges received in connection with the sale of the first 500,000 coins issued, to the Jefferson Endowment Fund, to be used—

(A) to establish and maintain an endowment to be a permanent source of support for Monticello and its historic furnishings; and

(B) for the Jefferson Endowment Fund's educational programs, including the International Center for Jefferson Studies; and

(2) in the case of surcharges received in connection with the sale of all other such coins, to the Corporation for Jefferson's

Poplar Forest, to be used for the restoration and maintenance of Poplar Forest.

SEC. 109. AUDITS.

The Comptroller General of the United States shall have the right to examine such books, records, documents, and other data of the entities specified in section 108, as may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under section 108.

SEC. 110. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.

(a) NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.—The Secretary shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that minting and issuing coins under this title will not result in any net cost to the United States Government.

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

(1) full payment for the coin;

(2) security satisfactory to the Secretary to indemnify the United States for full payment; or

(3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to the Secretary from a depository institution whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Administration Board.

TITLE II—UNITED STATES VETERANS COMMEMORATIVE COINS

United States Veterans Commemorative Coin Act of 1993.
31 USC 5112 note.

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "United States Veterans Commemorative Coin Act of 1993".

SEC. 202. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.

(a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

(1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury (hereafter in this title referred to as the "Secretary") shall issue one-dollar coins of 3 different designs, which shall—

(A) weigh 26.73 grams;

(B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

(C) contain 90 percent silver and 10 percent copper.

(2) DESIGNATION OF VALUE AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On each coin there shall be a designation of the value of the coin, an inscription of the year "1994", and inscriptions of the words "Liberty", "In God We Trust", "United States of America", and "E Pluribus Unum".

(3) DESIGN OF 3 COINS.—

(A) PRISONER-OF-WAR COMMEMORATIVE COIN.—1 type of coin issued under this title shall be a prisoner-of-war commemorative coin the design of which shall be emblematic of the experience of Americans who have been prisoners-of-war.

(B) VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMEMORATIVE COIN.—1 type of coin issued under this title shall be a Vietnam Veterans Memorial commemorative coin the design of which shall be emblematic of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

(C) WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR AMERICA MEMORIAL COMMEMORATIVE COIN.—1 type of coin issued under this title shall be Women in Military Service for America Memorial commemorative coin the design of which shall be symbolic of women's service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

(4) MAXIMUM NUMBER FOR COINS OF EACH DESIGN.—The Secretary shall issue no more than 500,000 coins of each design.

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

(c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section 5132(a)(1) of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted under this title shall be considered to be numismatic items.

SEC. 203. SOURCES OF BULLION.

The Secretary shall obtain silver for the coins minted under this title only from stockpiles established under the Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Piling Act.

SEC. 204. SELECTION OF DESIGN.

Subject to section 202(a)(3), the design for the coins authorized by this title shall be—

(1) selected by the Secretary after consultation with the Commission of Fine Arts and—

(A) in the case of the coin described in section 202(a)(3)(B), the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund; and

(B) in the case of the coin described in section 202(a)(3)(C), the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Incorporated; and

(2) reviewed by the Citizens Commemorative Advisory Committee.

SEC. 205. SALE OF COINS.

(a) SALE PRICE.—The coins issued under this title shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the face value, plus the cost of designing and issuing such coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses) and the surcharge provided for in subsection (d).

(b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make bulk sales at a reasonable discount.

(c) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept prepaid orders for the coins issued under this title before the issuance of such coins. Sales under this subsection shall be at a reasonable discount to reflect the benefit of prepayment.

(d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins issued under this title shall include a surcharge of $10 per coin.

SEC. 206. ISSUANCE OF THE COINS.

(a) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The coins minted under this title may be issued beginning May 1, 1994.

(b) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—The coins authorized under this title may not be minted after April 30, 1995.

(c) PROOF AND UNCIRCULATED COINS.—The coins authorized under this title shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

(d) 3-COIN SETS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other manner and form of sales of coins minted under this title, the Secretary

shall make a portion of such coins available for sale in 3-coin sets containing 1 of each of the 3 designs of coins required pursuant to section 202(a)(3).

(2) NUMBER OF SETS.—The number of 3-coin sets made available pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be at the discretion of the Secretary.

SEC. 207. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this title.

(b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Subsection (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a contract under the authority of this title from complying with any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

SEC. 208. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.

(a) PRISONER-OF-WAR COMMEMORATIVE COINS.—Except as provided in subsection (d), an amount equal to the surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of prisoner-of-war commemorative coins described in section 202(a)(3)(A) shall be promptly paid by the Secretary in the order that follows:

(1) AMOUNTS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MUSEUM.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall make available to the Secretary of the Interior the first $3,000,000 of such surcharges for the construction of the Andersonville Prisoner-of-War Museum in Andersonville, Georgia.

(2) AMOUNTS TO BE PAID TO ENDOWMENT FUND.—After payment of the amount required by paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Treasury shall pay 50 percent of the remaining surcharges to the endowment fund established pursuant to section 209(a).

(3) AMOUNTS TO BE PAID TO MAINTAIN NATIONAL CEMETERIES.—After payment of the amount required by paragraph (1), the Secretary shall pay 50 percent of the remaining surcharges to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for purposes of maintaining national cemeteries pursuant to chapter 24 of title 38, United States Code.

(b) VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMEMORATIVE COINS.—Except as provided in subsection (d), an amount equal to the surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of Vietnam Veterans Memorial commemorative coins described in section 202(a)(3)(B) shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund to assist the Fund's efforts to raise an endowment to be a permanent source of support for the repair, maintenance, and addition of names to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

(c) WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR AMERICA MEMORIAL COMMEMORATIVE COINS.—Except as provided in subsection (d), an amount equal to the surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale of Women in Military Service for America Memorial commemorative coins described in section 202(a)(3)(C) shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Inc., for the purpose of creating, endowing, and dedicating the Women in Military Service for America Memorial.

(d) SURCHARGES FROM 3-COIN SETS.—In the case of surcharges derived from the sale of 3-coin sets pursuant to section 206(d)—

(1) ⅓ of such amount shall be distributed as provided in subsection (a);

(2) ⅓ shall be distributed as provided in subsection (b); and

(3) ⅓ shall be distributed as provided in subsection (c).

SEC. 209. ANDERSONVILLE PRISONER-OF-WAR MUSEUM ENDOWMENT FUND.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established in the Department of the Interior an endowment fund (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "fund") to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior and to consist of the amounts deposited under subsection (b).

(b) DEPOSIT INTO FUND.—

(1) DEPOSIT FROM SURCHARGES.—There shall be deposited into the fund such amounts that are paid by the Secretary under section 208(a)(2).

(2) INVESTMENT.—The Secretary of the Interior shall have the authority to invest the portion of the fund that is not, in the determination of such Secretary, required to meet the current needs of the fund, in obligations of the United States or in obligations guaranteed as to the principal and interest by the United States. In making such investments, the Secretary of the Interior shall select obligations having maturities suitable to the needs of the fund.

(c) EXPENDITURES.—The Secretary of the Interior may use the amounts deposited in the fund under this title to pay for the maintenance of the Andersonville Prisoner-of-War Museum in Andersonville, Georgia.

SEC. 210. AUDITS.

The Comptroller General of the United States shall have the right to examine such books, records, documents, and other data of the entities specified in section 208, as may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under section 208.

SEC. 211. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.

(a) NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.—The Secretary shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that minting and issuing coins under this title will not result in any net cost to the United States Government.

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

(1) full payment for the coin;

(2) security satisfactory to the Secretary to indemnify the United States for full payment; or

(3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to the Secretary from a depository institution whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Administration Board.

TITLE III—REFORM OF COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAMS

31 USC 5112 note.

SEC. 301. SENSE OF CONGRESS RESOLUTION.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress hereby makes the following findings:

(1) Congress has authorized 18 commemorative coin programs in the 9 years since 1984.

(2) There are more meritorious causes, events, and people worthy of commemoration than can be honored with commemorative coinage.

(3) Commemorative coin legislation has increased at a pace beyond that which the numismatic community can reasonably be expected to absorb.

(4) It is in the interests of all Members of Congress that a policy be established to control the flow of commemorative coin legislation.

(b) DECLARATION.—It is the sense of the Congress that the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate should not report or otherwise clear for consideration by the House of Representatives or the Senate legislation providing for more than 2 commemorative coin programs for any year, unless the committee determines, on the basis of a recommendation by the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee, that extraordinary merit exists for an additional commemorative coin program.

SEC. 302. REPORTS BY RECIPIENTS OF COMMEMORATIVE COIN SURCHARGES.

(a) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Each person who receives, after the date of the enactment of this Act, any surcharge derived from the sale of commemorative coins under any Act of Congress shall submit a quarterly financial report to the Director of the United States Mint and the Comptroller General of the United States describing in detail the expenditures made by such person from the proceeds of the surcharge.

(2) INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED.—The report under paragraph (1) shall include information on the proportion of the surcharges received during the period covered by the report to the total revenue of such person during such period, expressed as a percentage, and the percentage of total revenue during such period which was spent on administrative expenses (including salaries, travel, overhead, and fund raising).

(3) DUE DATES.—Quarterly reports under this subsection shall be due at the end of the 30-day period beginning on the last day of any calendar quarter during which any surcharge derived from the sale of commemorative coins is received by any person.

(b) FINAL REPORT.—Each person who receives, after the date of the enactment of this Act, any surcharge derived from the sale of commemorative coins under any Act of Congress shall submit a final report on the expenditures made by such person from the proceeds of all surcharges received by such person, including information described in subsection (a)(2), before the end of the

1-year period beginning on the last day on which sales of such coins may be made.

SEC. 303. GAO REPORTS TO CONGRESS.

Before the end of the 1-year period beginning on the last day on which sales of commemorative coins may be made under the Act of Congress which authorized such coins, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit a financial accounting statement to the Congress on the payment of any surcharges derived from the sale of such coins and the use and expenditure of the proceeds of such surcharges by any recipient (other than a recipient which is an agency or department of the Federal Government) based on the reports filed by such recipient with the Comptroller General in accordance with section 302 and any audit of such recipient which is conducted by the Comptroller General with respect to the use and expenditure of such proceeds.

Bicentennial of the United States Capitol Commemorative Coin Act. 31 USC 5112 note.

TITLE IV—BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL COMMEMORATIVE COIN ACT

SEC. 401. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Bicentennial of the United States Capitol Commemorative Coin Act".

SEC. 402. SPECIFICATIONS OF COINS.

(a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

(1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury (hereinafter in this title referred to as the "Secretary") shall mint and issue not more than 500,000 one-dollar coins each of which shall—

(A) weigh 26.73 grams;

(B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

(C) be composed of 90 percent silver and 10 percent copper.

(2) DESIGN.—The design of the one-dollar coins shall, in accordance with section 404, be emblematic of the bicentennial of the United States Capitol. Each one-dollar coin shall bear a designation of the value of the coin, an inscription of the year "1994", and inscriptions of the words "Liberty", "In God We Trust", "United States of America", and "E Pluribus Unum".

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

(c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of section 5132(a)(1) of title 31, United States Code, all coins minted under this title shall be considered to be numismatic items.

SEC. 403. SOURCES OF BULLION.

The Secretary shall obtain silver for minting coins under this title only from stockpiles established under the Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Piling Act.

SEC. 404. DESIGN OF COINS.

The design for the coin authorized by this title shall be selected by the Secretary after consultation with the Speaker of the House

of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the Senate, and the Commission of Fine Arts.

SEC. 405. ISSUANCE OF COINS.

(a) ONE-DOLLAR COINS.—The one-dollar coins minted under this title may be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities, except that not more than 1 facility of the United States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality.

(b) COMMENCEMENT OF ISSUANCE.—The Secretary may issue the coins minted under this title beginning May 1, 1994.

(c) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—Coins may not be minted under this title after April 30, 1995.

(d) CONTRACTS.—Any contract to be made by the Secretary involving the promotion, advertising, or marketing of any coins authorized under this title shall be valid only upon approval by the United States Capitol Preservation Commission.

SEC. 406. SALE OF COINS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall sell the coins minted under this title at a price equal to the face value, plus the cost of designing and issuing the coins (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses).

(b) BULK SALES.—The Secretary shall make any bulk sales of the coins minted under this title at a reasonable discount.

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

(d) SURCHARGES.—All sales of coins minted under this title shall include a surcharge of $15 per coin.

SEC. 407. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.

(a) NO NET COST TO THE GOVERNMENT.—The Secretary shall take such actions as may be necessary to ensure that minting and issuing coins under this title will not result in any net cost to the United States Government.

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

(1) full payment for the coin;

(2) security satisfactory to the Secretary to indemnify the United States for full payment; or

(3) a guarantee of full payment satisfactory to the Secretary from a depository institution whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Administration Board.

SEC. 408. USE OF SURCHARGES.

(a) USE OF SURCHARGES.—All surcharges that are received by the Secretary from the sale of coins minted under this title shall be deposited in the Capitol Preservation Fund and be available to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 8(b)(1) of Public Law 100-673 is amended to read as follows:

31 USC 5112 note.

"(2) LIMITATIONS ON REIMBURSEMENTS.—No amount received by the Commission from the Capitol Preservation Fund from the sale of coins minted under this Act may be used to pay representational expenses of the Commission.".

SEC. 409. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (b), no provision of law governing procurement or public contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods and services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this title.

(b) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.—Subsection (a) shall not relieve any person entering into a contract under the authority of this title from complying with any law relating to equal employment opportunity.

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