

HR 5138

True American Heroes Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Commemorations

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-3]

Party: Republican • State: NY • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Jul 16, 2002
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Jul 16, 2002
Rep. Roukema, Marge [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Jul 16, 2002
Rep. Stearns, Cliff [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Jul 16, 2002
Rep. Tancredo, Thomas G. [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Jul 16, 2002
Rep. Watts, J. C., Jr. [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jul 16, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 23, 2002
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 16, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 3054	Related bill	Dec 19, 2001: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

True American Heroes Act of 2002 - **Title I: Medals for Responders and Resisters** - (Sec. 101) Authorizes the award (posthumously) of congressional gold medals to the government workers and others who responded to the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Virginia and perished in the tragic events of September 11, 2001, and to the people aboard United Airlines Flight 93 who helped resist the hijackers on board and caused the plane to crash.

Requires the Secretary of the Treasury to strike duplicates in gold of the gold medals for permanent display in named departments and duty stations. Authorizes the Secretary to strike and sell duplicates in bronze of the gold medals at a price sufficient to cover the costs of the bronze medals and the cost of the gold medals.

Title II: Spirit of America Commemorative Coins - (Sec. 202) Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue \$50 dollar gold coins, one-dollar silver coins, and half-dollar clad coins emblematic of the tragic events that occurred at the Pentagon, in New York City, and in Pennsylvania, on September 11, 2001.

(Sec. 206) Requires the sale of such coins to include a surcharge to cover the cost of the gold coins minted under this Act for presentment to the next of kin of those who died in the September 11, 2001, attacks, and any proceeds from such surcharges in excess of the cost of producing all coins to be: (1) used to cover the costs incurred in the production of the gold medals that have not been recovered from the sale of duplicate bronze medals minted under this Act; and (2) with respect to any amount remaining after payment of such costs, transferred to any fund for the victims of such attacks.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2002:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Mr. King moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5021-5027)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5138.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5021-5023)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5021-5023)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 16, 2002:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2002:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 16, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.