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S 1852

A bill to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Commemorations **Introduced:** Nov 12, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands. (Nov 19, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]

Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Nov 12, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jul 15, 2004
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 19, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commemorations

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 10, 2004)

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to provide a grant to the Franklin Institute to: (1) rehabilitate the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial (including the Franklin statue) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and (2) develop an interpretive exhibit relating to Benjamin Franklin, to be displayed at a museum adjacent to the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial.

Authorizes appropriations and requires matching funds.

Actions Timeline

- Nov 19, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- Nov 16, 2004: Received in the House.
- Nov 16, 2004: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Nov 16, 2004: Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- Oct 10, 2004: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S11127-11183; text as passed Senate: CR S11173)
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- Sep 28, 2004: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 108-364.
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- Sep 28, 2004: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 723.
- Sep 15, 2004: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Jul 15, 2004: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 108-704.
- Nov 14, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S14808)
- Nov 12, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Nov 12, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.