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S 2817

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial 1-Cent Coin Redesign Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (Sep 21, 2004)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

Party: Democratic • State: IL • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	$D \cdot IN$		Sep 21, 2004
Sen. Bunning, Jim [R-KY]	$R \cdot KY$		Sep 21, 2004
Sen. Fitzgerald, Peter [R-IL]	R·IL		Sep 21, 2004
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	R·IN		Nov 16, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 21, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial 1-Cent Coin Redesign Act - Instructs the Secretary of the Treasury to issue 1-cent coins during 2009, in accordance with the following design specifications: (1) the obverse of the 1-cent coin shall continue to bear the Victor David Brenner likeness of President Abraham Lincoln; and (2) the reverse of the coins shall bear four different designs each representing a different aspect of the life of Abraham Lincoln.

Mandates that: (1) beginning at the start of each calendar quarter of 2009, the redesigned Lincoln cents bear one of such four designs; and (2) the design on the reverse of the 1-cent coins issued after 2009, bear an image emblematic of President Lincoln's preservation of the United States of America as a single and united country.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the original Victor David Brenner design for the 1-cent coin was a dramatic departure from previous American coinage that should be reproduced, using the original form and relief of the likeness of Abraham Lincoln, on the 1-cent coins issued in 2009.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 21, 2004: Introduced in Senate
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