

HR 3753

To provide for the restoration of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial, and for other purposes.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Directs the Secretary of the Interior, through the National Park Service, to rehabilitate and make improvements to the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial, including the Memorial Hall and the Franklin statue, located in The Franklin Institute Science Museum in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Authorizes the Secretary to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Franklin Institute to: (1) repair and restore the dome of the Memorial Hall; (2) construct ramps and handrails in the Institute to improve access to the Memorial; (3) clean and refurbish the entrance stairs, marble walls, and floors of the Hall, and the statue; (4) create an updated visitor education experience for the Memorial that includes sound, video, and holographic technologies, and a 10,000 square foot exhibit adjacent to the Hall dedicated to Benjamin Franklin; and (5) update lighting and signage, inscribe inspirational quotations, and make audiovisual additions for the Memorial.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 5, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
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