



# S 499

Buffalo Soldiers Commemoration Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

**Policy Area:** Commemorations **Introduced:** Mar 3, 2003

Current Status: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.

**Latest Action:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior. (Jul 24, 2003) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/senate-bill/499

## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]

Party: Democratic • State: LA • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]	D·LA		Mar 3, 2003
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 13, 2003
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		Jun 12, 2003

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 10, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 24, 2003

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Commemorations

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Buffalo Soldiers Commemoration Act of 2003 - Authorizes the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers in or around New Orleans, Louisiana, on land donated for such purpose or on Federal land with the consent of the appropriate land manager.

Directs the Commission: (1) to solicit and accept contributions for the memorial's construction and maintenance; and (2) prior to beginning construction, to enter into an agreement with an appropriate public or private entity to provide for the permanent maintenance of the memorial and to have sufficient funds (or assurance that it will receive sufficient funds) to complete the memorial. Authorizes the Commission to enter into a cooperative agreement with a private or public entity for fundraising purposes.

Directs the Commission: (1) to maintain an escrow account to pay expenses incurred in constructing the memorial; (2) to deposit into the account any principal and interest by the United States that the Chairman determines has a suitable maturity; and (3) after construction, to transfer account amounts to the entity providing for permanent maintenance of the memorial. Authorizes appropriations.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Jul 24, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- Jul 24, 2003: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- Jul 18, 2003: Received in the House.
- Jul 18, 2003: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Jul 18, 2003: Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- Jul 17, 2003: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9605-9618; text as passed Senate: CR S9608; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S9607-9608)
- Jul 17, 2003: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S9605-9618; text as passed Senate: CR S9608; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S9607-9608)
- Jul 11, 2003: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 108-92.
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- Jul 11, 2003: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 200.
- Jun 25, 2003: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Jun 10, 2003: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 108-69.
- Mar 3, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Mar 3, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3030-3031)
- Mar 3, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3031-3032)