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S 1047

Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005 Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

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Party: Republican • State: NH • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	$D \cdot CT$		May 17, 2005
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	$R \cdot IN$		May 17, 2005
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	$D \cdot NV$		May 17, 2005
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Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	$R \cdot RI$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. DeMint, Jim [R-SC]	$R \cdot SC$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	$D \cdot CT$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Martinez, Mel [R-FL]	$R \cdot FL$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	$D \cdot WA$		Jun 6, 2005
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		Jun 14, 2005
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Jun 14, 2005
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	$D \cdot AR$		Jun 14, 2005
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	$R \cdot MT$		Jun 21, 2005
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 21, 2005
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	$D\cdotMI$		Jun 21, 2005
Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	$R \cdot UT$		Jun 29, 2005
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 29, 2005
Sen. Gregg, Judd [R-NH]	$R \cdot NH$		Jun 29, 2005

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Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]		Jun 29, 2005		
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Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	. Warner, John [R-VA] R · VA			
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]			Jun 30, 2005	
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	$R \cdot AZ$		Jun 30, 2005	
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE		Jul 12, 2005	
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Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jul 13, 2005	
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Jul 13, 2005	
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	$R \cdot OR$		Jul 13, 2005	
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Jul 13, 2005	
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	n. Wyden, Ron [D-OR] D · OR		Jul 13, 2005	
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	$R \cdot MN$		Jul 14, 2005	
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT] D · VT		Jul 14, 2005	
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	$R \cdot MO$		Jul 14, 2005	
Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	$R \cdot MO$		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D·CO		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R·LA		Jul 18, 2005	
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$		Jul 27, 2005	
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D·NY		Jul 27, 2005	
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 29, 2005	

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 29, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 902	Related bill	Apr 28, 2005: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on November 18, 2005. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005 - **Title I: Presidential \$1 Coins** - (Sec. 102) Amends federal monetary law to set forth requirements for the redesign and issuance of circulating \$1 coins emblematic of each President of the United States. Requires such coins to be issued in the order of the period of service of each President, beginning with President George Washington. Restricts such coin series to deceased Presidents.

States that following the termination of the issuance of such coins the design of all \$1 coins shall revert to the so-called "Sacagawea-design" \$1 coins.

(Sec. 103) Instructs the Secretary of the Treasury (Secretary) to issue bullion coins emblematic of the spouse of each such President during the same period in which the \$1 coins are issued. States that the nominal denomination of such coins shall be \$10.

(Sec. 104) Prescribes a deadline by which designated governmental agencies and instrumentalities shall: (1) ensure that their business operations involving coins or currency will be fully capable of accepting and dispensing \$1 coins; and (2) display signs and notices denoting such capability on the premises where coins or currency are accepted or dispensed, including on each vending machine.

(Sec. 105) Expresses the sense of Congress regarding the issuance of such coins, including that: (1) it will serve to increase the use of \$1 coins generally, especially the "Sacagawea-design" \$1 coins; and (2) continued minting and issuance of the "Sacagawea-design" \$1 coins will serve as a lasting tribute to the role of women and Native Americans in the history of the United States.

Title II: Buffalo Gold Bullion Coins - (Sec. 201) Instructs the Secretary to strike and issue for sale \$50 gold bullion and proof coins initially bearing the original designs by James Earle Fraser, which appear on the 5-cent coin commonly referred to as the "Buffalo nickel" or the "1913 Type 1."

Requires such bullion coins to be sold in an inexpensive covering that will: (1) protect the coin from damage due to ordinary handling or storage; and (2) be readily distinguishable from any coin packaging that may be used to protect proof coins.

Title III: Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial 1-Cent Coin Redesign - (Sec. 302) Directs the Secretary to issue 1-cent coins during the year 2009, whose obverse design continues to bear the Victor David Brenner likeness of President Abraham Lincoln, and whose reverse design bears four different designs, each representing a different aspect of Lincoln's life.

(Sec. 303) Requires the reverse of the 1-cent coins issued after December 31, 2009, to bear an image emblematic of President Lincoln's preservation of the United States of America as a single and united country.

(Sec. 304) Directs the Secretary to issue 1-cent coins during 2009 with the exact metallic content as the 1-cent coin contained in 1909.

(Sec. 305) 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

- Dec 22, 2005: Signed by President.
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- Dec 22, 2005: Became Public Law No: 109-145.
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- Dec 15, 2005: Presented to President.
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- Dec 13, 2005: Mr. Oxley moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Dec 13, 2005: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H11447-11453)
- Dec 13, 2005: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 1047.
- Dec 13, 2005: At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- Dec 13, 2005: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H11468-11469)
- Dec 13, 2005: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 291 113 (Roll no. 624).(text: CR H11447-11450)
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- Dec 13, 2005: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 13, 2005: Cleared for White House.
- Nov 18, 2005: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S13421-13424)
- Nov 18, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text as passed Senate: CR S13421-13424)
- Nov 18, 2005: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text as passed Senate: CR S13421-13424)
- Nov 18, 2005: Received in the House.
- Nov 18, 2005: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Nov 18, 2005: Held at the desk.
- Jul 29, 2005: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Reported by Senator Shelby without amendment. Without written report.
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- Jul 29, 2005: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 190.
- Jul 28, 2005: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- May 17, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- May 17, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.