

S 253

A bill to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I, and to designate memorials to the service of men and women of the United States in World War I.

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Feb 1, 2011)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Feb 15, 2011
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 10, 2011
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 3, 2011
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Apr 16, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 1, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Sciences and History

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 1, 2011)

Establishes the World War I Centennial Commission to: (1) plan, develop, and execute programs, projects, and activities to commemorate the centennial of World War I; (2) encourage private organizations and state and local governments to organize and participate in such activities; (3) facilitate and coordinate such activities throughout the United States; (4) serve as a clearinghouse for the collection and dissemination of information about centennial events and plans; and (5) develop commemoration recommendations for Congress and the President.

Designates: (1) the Liberty Memorial of Kansas City in Kansas City, Missouri, as the National World War I Museum and Memorial; and (2) the District of Columbia War Memorial in Washington, D.C., as the District of Columbia and National World War I Memorial (Memorial).

Authorizes the World War I Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work at the Memorial Site.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 1, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S423-424)
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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