

HR 7573

To direct the Joint Committee on the Library to replace the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be obtained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol, and for other purposes.

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Committee on House Administration | House | Referred To | Jul 13, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 4382 | Identical bill | Jul 30, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. |
| 116 HR 7217 | Related bill | Jun 15, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration. |
| 116 S 3863 | Related bill | Jun 2, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. |
| 116 HR 6131 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration. |

Summary (as of Jul 22, 2020)

This bill provides for the removal of certain statues and busts from display in the Capitol.

The bill directs the Joint Committee on the Library to remove the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court chamber of the Capitol and replace it with a bust of Thurgood Marshall.

The committee must remove the statues of Charles Brantley Ayccock, John Caldwell Calhoun, and James Paul Clarke and the bust of John Cabell Breckinridge from areas of the Capitol accessible to the public. The Architect of the Capitol (AOC) must store the statues and bust until it arranges their return to the states that provided them.

Additionally, the bill

- prohibits the display of statues in National Statuary Hall of persons who served as officers or voluntarily with the Confederate States of America or of the military forces or government of a state while it was in rebellion against the United States;
- requires the AOC to identify such statues and the committee to arrange for their transfer and deliverance from the Capitol to the Smithsonian Institution;
- requires the Smithsonian to follow its preexisting policies and procedures regarding the storage and display of such transferred statues;
- requires each statue to be returned to the providing state, including its ownership, if the state requests and agrees to pay any transportation-related costs; and
- permits a state that has a statue removed to replace the statue.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 23, 2020:** Received in the Senate.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** ORDER OF PROCEDURE - Mr. Butterfield asked unanimous consent that debate under clause 1(c) of rule XV on the motion to suspend the rules relating to H.R. 7573 be extended to one hour. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Mr. Butterfield moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3657-3665)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 7573.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** 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.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3668)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 305 - 113 (Roll no. 156).(text: CR H3658)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 305 - 113 (Roll no. 156). (text: CR H3658)
- **Jul 22, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 22, 2020:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 13, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 13, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.