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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. MURKOWSKI, and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Fallen Fire-
5 fighters Memorial Coin Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

2 (a) DENOMINATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treas-
3 ury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)
4 shall mint and issue the following coins:

5 (1) \$5 GOLD COINS.—Not more than 50,000 \$5
6 coins, which shall—

7 (A) weigh 8.359 grams;

8 (B) have a diameter of 0.850 inches; and

9 (C) contain not less than 90 percent gold.

10 (2) \$1 SILVER COINS.—Not more than 400,000
11 \$1 coins, which shall—

12 (A) weigh 26.73 grams;

13 (B) have a diameter of 1.500 inches; and

14 (C) contain not less than 90 percent silver.

15 (3) HALF-DOLLAR CLAD COINS.—Not more
16 than 750,000 half-dollar coins which shall—

17 (A) weigh 11.34 grams;

18 (B) have a diameter of 1.205 inches; and

19 (C) be minted to the specifications for half-

20 dollar coins contained in section 5112(b) of title

21 31, United States Code.

22 (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins minted under this
23 Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of
24 title 31, United States Code.

25 (c) NUMISMATIC ITEMS.—For purposes of sections
26 5134 and 5136 of title 31, United States Code, all coins

1 minted under this Act shall be considered to be numis-
2 matic items.

3 **SEC. 3. DESIGNS OF COINS.**

4 (a) DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The designs of the coins
6 minted under this Act shall be emblematic of the
7 National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and the serv-
8 ice and sacrifice of firefighters throughout the his-
9 tory of the United States.

10 (2) DESIGNATION AND INSCRIPTIONS.—On
11 each coin minted under this Act there shall be—

12 (A) a designation of the value of the coin;

13 (B) an inscription of the year “2029”; and

14 (C) inscriptions of the words “Liberty”,

15 “In God We Trust”, “United States of Amer-
16 ica”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

17 (b) SELECTION.—The designs for the coins minted
18 under this Act shall be—

19 (1) selected by the Secretary, after consultation
20 with the Commission of Fine Arts and the National
21 Fallen Firefighters Foundation; and

22 (2) reviewed by the Citizens Coinage Advisory
23 Committee.

1 **SEC. 4. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

2 (a) **QUALITY OF COINS.**—Coins minted under this
3 Act may be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

4 (b) **PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.**—The Secretary may
5 issue coins minted under this Act only during the 1-year
6 period beginning on January 1, 2029.

7 **SEC. 5. SALE OF COINS.**

8 (a) **SALE PRICE.**—The coins issued under this Act
9 shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the sum
10 of—

11 (1) the face value of the coins;

12 (2) the surcharge provided in section 6(a) with
13 respect to such coins; and

14 (3) the cost of designing and issuing the coins
15 (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery,
16 overhead expenses, marketing, and shipping).

17 (b) **BULK SALES.**—The Secretary shall make bulk
18 sales of the coins issued under this Act at a reasonable
19 discount.

20 (c) **PREPAID ORDERS.**—

21 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall accept
22 prepaid orders for the coins minted under this Act
23 before the issuance of such coins.

24 (2) **DISCOUNT.**—Sale prices with respect to pre-
25 paid orders under paragraph (1) shall be at a rea-
26 sonable discount.

1 **SEC. 6. SURCHARGES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—All sales of coins issued under this
3 Act shall include a surcharge of—

4 (1) \$35 per coin for the \$5 coin;

5 (2) \$10 per coin for the \$1 coin; and

6 (3) \$5 per coin for the half-dollar coin.

7 (b) DISTRIBUTION.—Subject to section 5134(f) of
8 title 31, United States Code, all surcharges received by
9 the Secretary from the sale of coins issued under this Act
10 shall be promptly paid by the Secretary to the National
11 Fallen Firefighters Foundation to support the mission and
12 programs of the Foundation.

13 (c) AUDITS.—The National Fallen Firefighters
14 Foundation shall be subject to the audit requirements of
15 section 5134(f)(2) of title 31, United States Code, with
16 regard to the amounts received under subsection (b).

17 (d) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a),
18 no surcharge may be included with respect to the issuance
19 under this Act of any coin during a calendar year if, as
20 of the time of such issuance, the issuance of such coin
21 would result in the number of commemorative coin pro-
22 grams issued during such year to exceed the annual 2
23 commemorative coin program issuance limitation under
24 section 5112(m)(1) of title 31, United States Code (as in
25 effect on the date of the enactment of this Act). The Sec-
26 retary may issue guidance to carry out this subsection.

1 **SEC. 7. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

2 The Secretary shall take such actions as may be nec-
3 essary to ensure that—

4 (1) minting and issuing coins under this Act
5 will not result in any net cost to the United States
6 Government; and

7 (2) no funds, including applicable surcharges,
8 are disbursed to the recipient designated in section
9 6 until the total cost of designing and issuing all of
10 the coins authorized by this Act (including labor,
11 materials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses,
12 marketing, and shipping) is recovered by the United
13 States Treasury, consistent with sections 5112(m)
14 and 5134(f) of title 31, United States Code.