

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To direct the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library to procure a statue of Benjamin Franklin for placement in the United States Capitol.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. BOOZMAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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**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. PROCUREMENT AND PLACEMENT OF STATUE**  
4 **OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN IN THE UNITED**  
5 **STATES CAPITOL.**

6 (a) OBTAINING OF STATUE.—Not later than Decem-  
7 ber 31, 2025, the Joint Committee of Congress on the Li-  
8 brary (referred to in this section as the “Joint Com-  
9 mittee”) shall enter into an agreement to obtain a statue

1 of Benjamin Franklin, under such terms and conditions  
2 as the Joint Committee considers appropriate consistent  
3 with applicable law.

4 (b) PLACEMENT.—Not later than December 31,  
5 2026, the Joint Committee shall place the statue obtained  
6 under subsection (a) in a suitable permanent location in  
7 the United States Capitol where the statue is accessible  
8 to the public during a guided tour of the Capitol provided  
9 by the Office of the Capitol Visitor Center.