

# Union Calendar No. 584

118TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 6969

[Report No. 118-690]

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

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 11, 2024

Ms. HOULAHAN (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. MEUSER, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Ms. WILD, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. TITUS, Mrs. McCLAIN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. MACE, Mr. PAPPAS, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. KEATING, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. LATTA, Mr. KILDEE, and Mrs. BICE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

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Additional sponsors: Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Ms. MANNING, Mr. PENCE, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. GIMENEZ, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. CORREA, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. DELUZIO, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Ms. SLOTKIN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. FOUSHEE, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. HOYER, Mr. LAMBORN, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. GALLEG0, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. BACON, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. RESCENTIALER, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. DONALDS, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. IVEY, Mr. McCAUL, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, Mr. GREEN of Tennessee, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. GARBARINO, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. CASTEN, Mrs. FLETCHER, Mr. CROW, Mr. COHEN, Ms. LEE of Florida, Mr. MOLINARO, and Mr. MORELLE

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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 2 years  
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Joint Com-  
8 mittee on the Library shall enter into an agreement to  
9 obtain a statue of Benjamin Franklin, under such terms  
10 and conditions as the Joint Committee considers appro-  
11 priate consistent with applicable law.

12        (b) PLACEMENT.—Not later than January 1, 2026,  
13 the Joint Committee shall place the statue obtained under  
14 subsection (a) in a suitable permanent location in the  
15 United States Capitol where the statue is accessible to the  
16 public during a guided tour of the Capitol provided by the  
17 Capitol Visitor Center.

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