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H. R. 54

To amend title 31, United States Code, to provide reasonable standards for congressional gold medals, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2005

Mr. CASTLE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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 “Congressional Gold
5 Medal Enhancement Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. REASONABLE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED FOR CON-**
7 **GRESSIONAL GOLD MEDALS.**

8 Section 5111 of title 31, United States Code, is
9 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
10 section:

1 “(e) CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL STANDARDS.—

2 “(1) MAXIMUM NUMBER.—During any calendar
3 year beginning after December 31, 2005, the Sec-
4 retary of the Treasury may strike not more than 2
5 congressional gold medals for presentation pursuant
6 to an Act of the Congress.

7 “(2) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—The Sec-
8 retary may strike congressional gold medals only in
9 accordance with the following requirements:

10 “(A) RECIPIENTS.—Only an individual
11 may be a recipient of a congressional gold
12 medal.

13 “(B) TIMING.—No gold medal may be pre-
14 sented posthumously on behalf of any individual
15 except during the 20-year period beginning 5
16 years after the death of the individual (unless
17 the Act of Congress authorizing the striking of
18 such medal was enacted before the death of
19 such individual)”.
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