

104TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 616

To require the Secretary of the Treasury to redesign the \$1 coin to commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 20, 1995

Mr. RANGEL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and 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 AND FINDINGS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 1 Dollar Coin Act”.

6 (b) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

7 (1) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a pre-
8 eminent spokesman for human civil rights in his
9 time.

1 (2) The work of Dr. King affected the lives of
2 more Americans of all races and people around the
3 world than any other American reform leader of the
4 20th century.

5 (3) Dr. King was one of America's most erudite
6 scholars and social and religious activists.

7 (4) Dr. King, because of his lifelong achieve-
8 ments and moral vision, was a recipient in 1964 of
9 the Nobel Peace Prize.

10 (5) Dr. King mobilized leaders of all faiths,
11 races, and creeds to support the passage of the his-
12 toric civil rights laws in the 1960s.

13 (6) Dr. King inspired activists for human rights
14 around the world by applying a philosophy of non-
15 violence.

16 (7) Dr. King helped to mobilize the African-
17 American civil rights movement as a founder of the
18 Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

19 (8) Dr. King has been honored by the Nation
20 with the designation of the third Monday in January
21 as a national holiday in his name.

22 (9) The largest collection of materials relating
23 to Dr. King is in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Cen-
24 ter for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta, Geor-
25 gia.

1 **SEC. 2. REDESIGN OF \$1 COIN TO COMMEMORATE**
2 **DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

3 Section 5112(d)(1) of title 31, United States Code,
4 is amended—

5 (1) by striking the 5th and 6th sentences and
6 inserting the following: “The obverse side of the dol-
7 lar shall have the likeness of Dr. Martin Luther
8 King, Jr. The reverse side of the dollar shall have
9 a design emblematic of Dr. Martin Luther King,
10 Jr.”; and

11 (2) in the 4th sentence, by striking “dollar, half
12 dollar, and quarter dollar” and inserting “half dollar
13 and quarter dollar”.

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