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H. R. 3349

To authorize the Daughters of the Republic of Texas to establish the Republic of Texas Legation Memorial as a commemorative work in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 19, 2019

Mr. DOGGETT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

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 “Republic of Texas Le-
5 gation Memorial Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 For the purposes of this Act:

1 (1) ASSOCIATION.—The term “Association”
2 means the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, a
3 corporation organized under the laws of the State of
4 Texas and described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt
5 from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal
6 Revenue Code of 1986.

7 (2) MEMORIAL.—The term “memorial” means
8 the Republic of Texas Legation Memorial authorized
9 to be established under section 3.

10 **SEC. 3. MEMORIAL TO COMMEMORATE.**

11 (a) AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH COMMEMORA-
12 TIVE WORK.—The Association may establish the Republic
13 of Texas Legation Memorial as a commemorative work,
14 on Federal land in the District of Columbia to commemo-
15 rate and honor those who, as representatives of the Repub-
16 lic of Texas, served in the District of Columbia as dip-
17 lomats to the United States and made possible the annex-
18 ation of Texas as the twenty-eighth State of the United
19 States.

20 (b) COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS FOR COMMEMO-
21 RATIVE WORKS ACT.—The establishment of the com-
22 memorative work shall be in accordance with chapter 89
23 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the
24 “Commemorative Works Act”).

1 (c) USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS PROHIBITED.—Federal
2 funds may not be used to pay any expense of the establish-
3 ment of the memorial. The Association shall be solely re-
4 sponsible for acceptance of contributions for, and payment
5 of the expenses of, the establishment of the memorial.

6 (d) DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.—

7 (1) If upon payment of all expenses for the es-
8 tablishment of the memorial (including the mainte-
9 nance and preservation amount required by section
10 8906(b)(1) of title 40, United States Code), there
11 remains a balance of funds received for the estab-
12 lishment of the commemorative work, the Associa-
13 tion shall transmit the amount of the balance to the
14 Secretary of the Interior for deposit in the account
15 provided for in section 8906(b)(3) of title 40, United
16 States Code.

17 (2) If upon expiration of the authority for the
18 commemorative work under section 8903(e) of title
19 40, United States Code, there remains a balance of
20 funds received for the establishment of the com-
21 memorative work, the Association shall transmit the
22 balance to a separate account with the National
23 Park Foundation for memorials, to be available to
24 the Secretary of the Interior or the Administrator
25 (as appropriate) following the process provided in

1 section 8906(b)(4) of title 40, United States Code,
2 for accounts established under section 8906(b)(2) or
3 (3) of title 40, United States Code.

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