

**Suspend the Rules And Pass the Bill, H.R. 1702, with Amendments**

**(The amendments strike all after the enacting clause and insert a new text and a new title)**

116<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 1702

To waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2019

Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mr. DUNN, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, and Ms. GABBARD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land, and for other purposes.

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 “Free Veterans from  
5 Fees Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. WAIVER OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION**  
2 **FEE FOR VETERANS' SPECIAL EVENTS.**

3 (a) **WAIVER.**—The application fee for any special use  
4 permit solely for a veterans' special event at war memo-  
5 rials on land administered by the National Park Service  
6 in the District of Columbia and its environs shall be  
7 waived.

8 (b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

9 (1) **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND ITS ENVI-**  
10 **RONS.**—The term “the District of Columbia and its  
11 environs” has the meaning given that term in sec-  
12 tion 8902(a) of title 40, United States Code.

13 (2) **GOLD STAR FAMILIES.**—The term “Gold  
14 Star Families” includes any individual described in  
15 section 3.2 of Department of Defense Instruction  
16 1348.36.

17 (3) **SPECIAL EVENT.**—The term “special  
18 events” has the meaning given that term in section  
19 7.96 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations.

20 (4) **VETERAN.**—The term “veteran” has the  
21 meaning given that term in section 101(2) of title  
22 38, United States Code.

23 (5) **VETERANS' SPECIAL EVENT.**—The term  
24 “veterans' special event” means a special event of  
25 which the majority of attendees are veterans or Gold  
26 Star Families.

1           (6) WAR MEMORIAL.—The term “war memo-  
2           rial” means any memorial or monument which has  
3           been erected or dedicated to commemorate a military  
4           unit, military group, war, conflict, victory, or peace.

5           (c) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply to any  
6           special use permit application submitted after the date of  
7           the enactment of this Act.

8           (d) APPLICABILITY OF EXISTING LAWS.—Permit ap-  
9           plicants remain subject to all other laws, regulations, and  
10          policies regarding the application, issuance and execution  
11          of special use permits for a veterans’ special event at war  
12          memorials on land administered by the National Park  
13          Service in the District of Columbia and its environs.

        Amend the title so as to read: “A bill waive the ap-  
        plication fee for any special use permit for veterans’ spe-  
        cial events at war memorials on land administered by the  
        National Park Service in the District of Columbia and its  
        environs, and for other purposes.”.