

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 8810
OFFERED BY MR. STEIL OF WISCONSIN

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “No Wasted Space
3 Act”.

4 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established the Commis-
6 sion to Study Potential Uses of the Arts and Industries
7 Building on the National Mall (hereafter in this Act re-
8 ferred to as the “Commission”).

9 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Commission shall be com-
10 posed of 9 members, of whom—

11 (1) 2 voting members shall be appointed by the
12 majority leader of the Senate;

13 (2) 2 voting members shall be appointed by the
14 Speaker of the House of Representatives;

15 (3) 2 voting members shall be appointed by the
16 minority leader of the Senate;

17 (4) 2 voting members shall be appointed by the
18 minority leader of the House of Representatives; and

1 (5) 1 voting member, who may not be a sitting
2 member of the House of Representatives, Senate, or
3 Supreme Court, shall be appointed by the Chair of
4 the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institu-
5 tion.

6 (c) QUALIFICATIONS.—Members of the Commission
7 shall be appointed to the Commission from among individ-
8 uals, or representatives of institutions or entities, who pos-
9 sess experience and familiarity with professional museum
10 associations, tourism for families, urban planning, and
11 educational institutions in the Washington, DC area.

12 (d) DEADLINE FOR INITIAL APPOINTMENT.—The
13 initial members of the Commission shall be appointed not
14 later than the date that is 45 days after the date of the
15 enactment of this Act.

16 (e) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Commission—
17 (1) shall not affect the powers of the Commis-
18 sion; and

19 (2) shall be filled in the same manner as the
20 original appointment was made.

21 (f) CHAIRPERSON.—The Commission shall, by major-
22 ity vote of all of the voting members, select 1 member of
23 the Commission to serve as the Chairperson of the Com-
24 mission.

1 (g) PROHIBITION.—No employee of the Federal Gov-
2 ernment may serve as a member of the Commission.

3 **SEC. 3. DUTIES OF COMMISSION.**

4 (a) SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS TO PRESIDENT AND
5 CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the
6 first meeting of the Commission, the Commission shall
7 submit to the President and to Congress the report, plan,
8 and recommendations described in subsections (b) through
9 (d).

10 (b) REPORT ON ISSUES.—The Commission shall pre-
11 pare a report that addresses the following issues relating
12 to the potential uses of the Arts and Industries Building
13 on the National Mall, and its environs (hereafter in this
14 Act referred to as the “Building”):

15 (1) Educational institutions currently serving
16 families visiting Washington, DC with high levels of
17 success.

18 (2) Museums and other cultural institutions not
19 currently located near the National Mall.

20 (3) Washington, DC based museums not cur-
21 rently housed in Smithsonian buildings.

22 (4) Tenants in Federally owned buildings im-
23 pacted by Federal office relocations.

1 (5) The cost of converting the Smithsonian In-
2 stitution's Arts and Industries Building into a mod-
3 ern museum.

4 (c) FUND-RAISING PLAN.—The Commission shall
5 prepare a fund-raising plan that addresses the following
6 topics:

7 (1) The ability to support the operation and
8 maintenance of the Building through contributions
9 from the public, including potential charges for ad-
10 mission.

11 (2) Any potential issues with funding the oper-
12 ations and maintenance of the Building in perpetuity
13 without reliance on appropriations of Federal funds.

14 (d) LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Com-
15 mission shall prepare a report containing recommenda-
16 tions regarding a legislative plan for the operations and
17 maintenance of the Building, which shall include each of
18 the following:

19 (1) Proposals regarding the time frame, one-
20 time appropriations level, and continuing appropria-
21 tions levels that might be included in such legisla-
22 tion.

23 (2) Recommendations for the future name of
24 the Building.

1 **SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.**

2 (a) COMPENSATION.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—A member of the Commis-
4 sion—

5 (A) shall not be considered to be a Federal
6 employee for any purpose by reason of service
7 on the Commission; and

8 (B) shall serve without pay.

9 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—A member of the
10 Commission shall be allowed a per diem allowance
11 for travel expenses, at rates consistent with those
12 authorized under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title
13 5, United States Code.

14 (3) GIFTS, BEQUESTS, AND DEVISES.—The
15 Commission may solicit, accept, use, and dispose of
16 gifts, bequests, or devises of money, services, or real
17 or personal property for the purpose of aiding or fa-
18 cilitating the work of the Commission. Such gifts,
19 bequests, or devises may be from the Building.

20 (b) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall terminate
21 on the date that is 30 days after the date on which the
22 final versions of the report, plan, and recommendations
23 required under section 3 are submitted.

24 (c) FUNDING.—The Commission shall be solely re-
25 sponsible for acceptance of contributions for, and payment
26 of the expenses of, the Commission.

1 (d) DIRECTOR AND STAFF OF COMMISSION.—

2 (1) DIRECTOR AND STAFF.—

3 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may
4 employ and compensate an executive director
5 and any other additional personnel that are
6 necessary to enable the Commission to perform
7 the duties of the Commission.

8 (B) RATES OF PAY.—Rates of pay for per-
9 sons employed under subparagraph (A) shall be
10 consistent with the rates of pay allowed for em-
11 ployees of a temporary organization under sec-
12 tion 3161 of title 5, United States Code.

13 (2) NOT FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT.—Any indi-
14 vidual employed under this subsection shall not be
15 considered a Federal employee for the purpose of
16 any law governing Federal employment.

17 (3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
19 graph (B), on request of the Commission, the
20 head of a Federal agency shall provide technical
21 assistance to the Commission.

22 (B) PROHIBITION.—No Federal employees
23 may be detailed to the Commission.

24 (4) VOLUNTEER SERVICES.—Notwithstanding
25 section 1342 of title 31, United States Code, the

1 Commission may accept and use voluntary and un-
2 compensated services as the Commission determines
3 necessary.

4 (e) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—Upon re-
5 quest of the Commission, the Administrator of the General
6 Services Administration shall provide to the Commission,
7 on a reimbursable basis, the administrative support serv-
8 ices necessary for the Commission to carry out its respon-
9 sibilities under this Act. The involvement of the General
10 Services Administration shall be limited to providing ad-
11 ministrative support to the Commission, and such involve-
12 ment shall terminate upon termination of the Commission.

13 (f) MEETING LOCATION.—The Commission may
14 meet virtually or in person.

15 (g) APPOINTMENT DELAYS.—The Commission may
16 begin to meet and carry out activities under this Act be-
17 fore all members of the Commission have been appointed
18 if—

19 (1) 90 days have passed since the date of the
20 enactment of this Act; and

21 (2) a majority of the members of the Commis-
22 sion have been appointed.

