

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3997

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.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 10, 2017

Mr. ROTHFUS (for himself and Ms. GABBARD) 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 “Free Veterans from
5 Fees Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. WAIVER OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION**
2 **FEE FOR VETERANS DEMONSTRATIONS AND**
3 **SPECIAL EVENTS.**

4 (a) **WAIVER.**—The application fee for any special use
5 permit for a veterans demonstration or special event at
6 war memorials on Federal land shall be waived.

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

8 (1) **DEMONSTRATION; SPECIAL EVENT.**—The
9 terms “demonstration” and “special event” have the
10 meaning given those terms in section 7.96 of title
11 36, Code of Federal Regulations.

12 (2) **VETERAN.**—The term “veteran” has the
13 meaning given that term in section 101(2) of title
14 38, United States Code.

15 (3) **VETERANS DEMONSTRATION OR SPECIAL**
16 **EVENT.**—The term “veterans demonstration or spe-
17 cial event” means a demonstration or special event
18 designed to provide a benefit to, commemorate, or
19 honor a group of people because of their service as
20 veterans.

21 (4) **WAR MEMORIAL.**—The term “war memo-
22 rial” means any tangible object which has been
23 erected or dedicated to commemorate—

24 (A) war, conflict, victory, or peace;

1 (B) casualties who served in, were affected
2 by, or killed as a result of war, conflict, or
3 peacekeeping; or

4 (C) those who died as a result of accident
5 or disease while engaged in military service.

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

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