

An Act To Authorize a Memorial to the Victims of COVID-19

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §902, sub-§1-D is enacted to read:

1-D. Memorial to victims of COVID-19 pandemic. Notwithstanding section 902-A, subsection 2, paragraph B, the commission may arrange for and oversee the development and installation ~~in Capitol Park or the State House or its immediate~~ of a monument on the exterior grounds of the State House honoring the victims of the pandemic related to coronavirus disease 2019, or COVID-19.

Sec. 2. Report. By January 31, 2022, the State House and Capital Park Commission shall report back to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters on the status of the development and installation of a monument on the exterior grounds of the State House honoring the victims of the pandemic related to the coronavirus disease 2019. The committee has the authority to report out a bill on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the monument honoring the victims of COVID-19 will be placed on the exterior grounds of the State House. It adds the requirement that the State House and Capital Park Commission report back to the State and Local Government Committee on the status of the commission's work under this Act by January 31, 2022 and that the committee has the authority to report out a bill on the subject matter of the report.