

[H.R. 3059, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4500 SE 28th Street, Del City, Oklahoma, as the “James Robert Kalsu Post Office Building.”](#)

FLOOR SITUATION

On Thursday, September 24, 2015, the House will consider [H.R. 3059](#), a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4500 SE 28th Street, Del City, Oklahoma, as the “James Robert Kalsu Post Office Building,” under suspension of the rules. H.R. 3059 was introduced on July 14, 2015 by Rep. Steve Russell (R-OK) and was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it to be reported by unanimous consent on July 22, 2015.

SUMMARY

H.R. 3059 designates the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4500 SE 28th Street, Del City, Oklahoma, as the “James Robert Kalsu Post Office Building.”

BACKGROUND

Born on April 13, 1945, James Robert “Bob” Kalsu is the only professional football player to have died while serving in the Vietnam War.¹ He played for the Buffalo Bills and was named the team’s Rookie of the Year in 1968 before he was called to serve in Vietnam.² As a pro football player he was told that arrangements could be made to prevent him from having to serve, but he insisted on doing so and on July 21, 1970, was killed in action while serving at Fire Support Base Ripcord on an isolated jungle mountaintop near the Ashau Valley, Thua Thien, South Vietnam. He was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.³

¹ See article - <http://www.virtualwall.org/dk/KalsuJR01a.htm>

² Ibid

³ Ibid

COST

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently unavailable.

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