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To give any State in which lands are more than 25 percent federally owned the right to disapprove the establishment of Wilderness Areas located in that State.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HANSEN (for himself, Mrs. VUCANOVICH, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. STUMP, Mr. ROGERS, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. LEWIS of California, and Mr. GALLEGLY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To give any State in which lands are more than 25 percent federally owned the right to disapprove the establishment of Wilderness Areas located in that State.

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. WILDERNESS DISAPPROVAL BY A STATE.**

4 (a) AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT NOTICE OF DIS-
5 APPROVAL.—Any State in which more than 25 percent of
6 the land is owned by the United States (including land
7 held in trust for Indians or Indian tribes) may submit to
8 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the

1 President pro tempore of the Senate a notice of dis-
2 approval of the designation of an area in that State as
3 wilderness.

4 (b) NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL.—For the purpose of
5 this Act, the term “notice of disapproval” means a notice
6 which—

7 (1) disapproves the designation by Federal law
8 of an area as wilderness, and

9 (2) is submitted—

10 (A) on or before 90 days after the date of
11 enactment of the Act designating such area as
12 wilderness, and

13 (B) on behalf of a State by the Governor,
14 State legislature, or authority designated under
15 State law,

16 to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and
17 the President pro tempore of the Senate.

18 **SEC. 2. EFFECT OF NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL.**

19 (a) EFFECTIVE DATE OF DESIGNATION AS WILDER-
20 NESS AREA.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
21 the designation of an area as wilderness in a State de-
22 scribed in section 1(a) shall be effective at the end of the
23 90-day period beginning on the date of enactment of the
24 Act containing such designation unless, during such 90-

1 day period, the State in which such area is located submits
2 a notice of disapproval.

3 (b) MANAGEMENT OF AREA DURING 90-DAY PE-
4 RIOD.—Any area designated as wilderness by a Federal
5 law shall be managed during the 90-day period specified
6 in subsection (a) as if such area were wilderness.

7 (c) MANAGEMENT OF AREA AFTER SUBMISSION OF
8 NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL.—An area with respect to which
9 a notice of disapproval has been submitted to the Congress
10 under this Act shall be managed by the appropriate Fed-
11 eral agency in the same manner as such area was managed
12 on the day before the date on which such area would have,
13 but for this Act, been designated as wilderness.

14 **SEC. 3. OVERRIDE OF STATE NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL.**

15 The Congress, by joint resolution, may override the
16 effect of a notice of disapproval only if such joint resolu-
17 tion specifically overrides such notice of disapproval.

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