

109TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5062

To designate as wilderness certain National Forest System land in the State of New Hampshire.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 30, 2006

Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire (for himself and Mr. BASS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “New Hampshire Wil-
5 derness Act of 2006”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
3 Chief of the Forest Service.

4 (2) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
5 of New Hampshire.

6 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS.**

7 In accordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.
8 1131 et seq.), certain Federal land managed by the Forest
9 Service, comprising approximately 10,800 acres, as de-
10 picted on the map entitled “Proposed Sandwich Range
11 Wilderness Additions—White Mountain National Forest”,
12 dated February 6, 2006, is designated as wilderness and
13 incorporated in the Sandwich Range Wilderness, as des-
14 ignated by the New Hampshire Wilderness Act of 1984
15 (Public Law 98–323; 98 Stat. 259).

16 **SEC. 4. MAP AND DESCRIPTION.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the
18 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall file a
19 map and a legal description of the wilderness area des-
20 ignated by section 3 with the committees of appropriate
21 jurisdiction in the Senate and the House of Representa-
22 tives.

23 (b) FORCE AND EFFECT.—A map and legal descrip-
24 tion filed under subsection (a) shall have the same force
25 and effect as if included in this Act, except that the Sec-

1 retary may correct clerical and typographical errors in the
2 map and legal description.

3 (c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map and legal de-
4 scription filed under subsection (a) shall be filed and made
5 available for public inspection in the Office of the Chief
6 of the Forest Service.

7 **SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.**

8 (a) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing
9 rights, the wilderness area designated under this section
10 shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance
11 with—

12 (1) the Federal Land Policy and Management
13 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

14 (2) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
15 seq.).

16 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE OF WILDERNESS ACT.—With
17 respect to the wilderness area designated by this Act, any
18 reference in the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.)
19 to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed
20 to be a reference to the date of enactment of this Act.

21 (c) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—As provided in section
22 4(d)(7) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(7)),
23 nothing in this Act affects any jurisdiction or responsi-
24 bility of the State with respect to wildlife and fish in the
25 State.

1 (d) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
2 all Federal land in the wilderness area designated by sec-
3 tion 3 are withdrawn from—

4 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal
5 under the public land laws;

6 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining
7 laws; and

8 (3) disposition under the mineral leasing laws
9 (including geothermal leasing laws).

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