

Union Calendar No. 662

115TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5979

[Report No. 115–855]

To establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 25, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY 23, 2018

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on May 25, 2018]

A BILL

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in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National
Park System, and for other purposes.

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 “Mill Springs Battlefield*
5 *National Monument Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “Map” means the map enti-*
9 *tled “Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument,*
10 *Nancy, Kentucky” numbered 297/145513, and dated*
11 *June 2018.*

12 (2) *MONUMENT.*—*The term “Monument” means*
13 *the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument es-*
14 *tablished by section 3(a).*

15 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
16 *the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-*
17 *rector of the National Park Service.*

18 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF MILL SPRINGS BATTLEFIELD**

19 **NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

20 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—

21 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to paragraph (2),*
22 *there is established, as a unit of the National Park*
23 *System, the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monu-*
24 *ment in the State of Kentucky, to preserve, protect,*
25 *and interpret for the benefit of present and future*

1 *generations the nationally significant historic re-*
2 *sources of the Mill Springs Battlefield and its role in*
3 *the American Civil War.*

4 (2) *CONDITIONS.—The Monument shall not be*
5 *established until the Secretary—*

6 (A) *has entered into a written agreement*
7 *with the owner of any private or non-Federal*
8 *land within the Mill Springs Battlefield Na-*
9 *tional Monument boundary as depicted on the*
10 *Map, providing that such property shall be do-*
11 *minated to the United States for inclusion in the*
12 *Monument to be managed consistently with the*
13 *purposes of the Monument; and*

14 (B) *has determined that sufficient land or*
15 *interests in land have been acquired within the*
16 *boundary of the Monument to constitute a man-*
17 *ageable unit.*

18 (b) *BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Monument*
19 *shall be the boundaries generally depicted on the Map.*

20 (c) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on file*
21 *and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-*
22 *fices of the National Park Service.*

23 (d) *ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may*
24 *only acquire land or an interest in land located within the*
25 *boundary of the Monument by—*

1 (1) *donation;*

2 (2) *purchase with donated funds; or*

3 (3) *exchange.*

4 (e) *ADMINISTRATION.—*

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-*
6 *ister the Monument in accordance with—*

7 (A) *this Act; and*

8 (B) *the laws generally applicable to units of*
9 *the National Park System, including—*

10 (i) *section 100101(a), chapter 1003,*
11 *and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753,*
12 *and 102101 of title 54, United States Code;*
13 *and*

14 (ii) *chapter 3201 of title 54, United*
15 *States Code.*

16 (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.—*

17 (A) *IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years*
18 *after the date on which funds are first made*
19 *available to the Secretary for this purpose, the*
20 *Secretary shall prepare a general management*
21 *plan for the Monument in accordance with sec-*
22 *tion 100502 of title 54, United States Code.*

23 (B) *SUBMIT TO CONGRESS.—On completion*
24 *of the general management plan, the Secretary*
25 *shall submit it to the Committee on Natural Re-*

1 *sources of the House of Representatives and the*
2 *Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of*
3 *the Senate.*

4 (f) *PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION.*—No private
5 property or non-Federal public property shall be managed
6 as part of the Monument without the written consent of the
7 owner of such property.

8 (g) *NO BUFFER ZONES.*—Nothing in this Act, the es-
9 tablishment of the Monument, or the management of the
10 Monument shall be construed to create buffer zones outside
11 of the Monument. The fact that an activity or use can be
12 seen, heard, or detected from within the Monument shall
13 not preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside of
14 the Monument.

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