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H. R. 2150

To direct the Attorney General to include a data field in the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System to indicate whether the last known location of a missing person was confirmed or was suspected to have been on Federal land, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2025

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mr. BURCHETT, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Tracking and Report-
5 ing Absent Community-Members Everywhere Act” or the
6 “TRACE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DATA FIELD IN THE NATIONAL MISSING AND UN-**
2 **IDENTIFIED PERSONS SYSTEM RELATED TO**
3 **FEDERAL LAND.**

4 The Attorney General, acting through the Director
5 of the National Institute of Justice, shall include in the
6 National Missing and Unidentified Persons System a data
7 field to indicate—

8 (1) whether the last known location of the miss-
9 ing person was confirmed or was suspected to have
10 been on Federal land, including any specific location
11 details about the unit of Federal land that was the
12 last known location of the missing person; or

13 (2) in the case of unidentified remains of a per-
14 son, whether the remains were located on Federal
15 land, including any specific location details about the
16 unit of Federal land on which the remains were lo-
17 cated.

18 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

19 Beginning in the second calendar year that begins
20 after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually
21 thereafter, on January 15th, the Attorney General, acting
22 through the Director of the National Institute of Justice,
23 shall submit to the Committees on the Judiciary of the
24 House of Representatives and of the Senate a report that
25 contains, for the previous calendar year, the number of

1 cases in the National Missing and Unidentified Persons
2 System for which—

3 (1) the missing person’s last known location
4 was confirmed or was suspected to have been on
5 Federal land, disaggregated by the Federal land
6 management agency with jurisdiction of the Federal
7 land; or

8 (2) unidentified remains of a person were lo-
9 cated on Federal land, disaggregated by the Federal
10 land management agency with jurisdiction of the
11 Federal land.

12 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

13 In this Act, the term “Federal land” means land
14 owned by the United States that is under the administra-
15 tive jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Sec-
16 retary of the Interior (except land held in trust for the
17 benefit of an Indian Tribe), or the Secretary of Defense
18 only with respect to land and water resources projects ad-
19 ministered by the Army Corps of Engineers.

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