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# S. 1349

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 27, 2000

Referred to the Committee on Resources

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## AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct special resource studies to determine the national significance of specific sites as well as the suitability and feasibility of their inclusion as units of the National Park System.

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 “National Park System  
5       New Area Study Act of 2000”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that pursuant to  
3 Public Law 105–391, the Administration has submitted  
4 a list of areas recommended for study for potential inclu-  
5 sion in the National Park System in fiscal year 2000.

6 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to direct  
7 the Secretary of the Interior to direct special resource  
8 studies to determine the national significance of the sites,  
9 and/or areas, listed in section 5 of this Act to determine  
10 the national significance of each site, and/or area, as well  
11 as the suitability and feasibility of their inclusion as units  
12 of the National Park System.

13 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

14 In this Act:

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

18 **SEC. 4. STUDIES.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall submit to the  
20 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-  
21 ate and the Committee on Resources of the House of Rep-  
22 resentatives a report on the findings, conclusions, and rec-  
23 ommendations of each study under section 5 within three  
24 fiscal years following the date on which funds are first  
25 made available for each study.

1 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the studies author-  
2 ized by this Act, the Secretary shall use the criteria for  
3 the study of areas for potential inclusion in the National  
4 Park System in accordance with section 8 of Public Law  
5 91–383, as amended by section 303 of the National Park  
6 System New Area Study Act (16 U.S.C. 1a–5).

7 **SEC. 5. STUDY AREAS.**

8 The Secretary shall conduct studies of the following:

- 9 (1) Bioluminescent Bay, Puerto Rico;
- 10 (2) Civil Rights Sites, multi-state;
- 11 (3) Gaviota Coast Seashore, California;
- 12 (4) Kate Mullany House, New York;
- 13 (5) Low Country Gullah Culture, multi-state;
- 14 (6) Walden Pond and Woods, Massachusetts;
- 15 (7) World War II Sites, Commonwealth of the  
16 Northern Marianas;
- 17 (8) Loess Hills, Iowa;
- 18 (9) Anderson Cottage, District of Columbia;
- 19 (10) Fort Hunter Liggett, California;
- 20 (11) upon the request of the Government of the  
21 Republic of Palau, World War II Sites, Palau; and
- 22 (12) upon the request of the Government of the  
23 Federated States of Micronesia, Nan Madol in the  
24 State of Ponape.

1 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
3 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

Passed the Senate November 19, 1999.

Attest:

GARY SISCO,  
*Secretary.*