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# S. 144

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 19, 1999

Mr. GRAHAM introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## 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. REVIEW OF EVERGLADES EXPANSION AREA**  
4 **FOR POTENTIAL AS WILDERNESS.**

5 (a) DEFINITION OF ADDITION.—In this section, the  
6 term “addition” has the meaning given the term in section  
7 101(c) of the Everglades National Park Protection and  
8 Expansion Act of 1989 (16 U.S.C. 410r–5(c)).

1       (b) REVIEW AND REPORT.—Subject to subsection  
2 (c), in accordance with section 3 of the Wilderness Act  
3 (16 U.S.C. 1132), the Secretary of the Interior shall re-  
4 view and report on the suitability for inclusion in the Na-  
5 tional Wilderness Preservation System of any part of the  
6 addition.

7       (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsection (b) shall take  
8 effect—

9           (1) on the date of submission to Congress of  
10 the proposed comprehensive plan to restore, pre-  
11 serve, and protect the South Florida ecosystem re-  
12 quired by section 528(b) of the Water Resources De-  
13 velopment Act of 1996 (110 Stat. 3767); but

14           (2) only if the plan does not specify that con-  
15 struction and water storage are required in the addi-  
16 tion (as determined by the Secretary of the Inte-  
17 rior).

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