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S. 1462

To adjust the boundary of the Cumberland Island Wilderness, to authorize tours of the Cumberland Island National Seashore, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 25 (legislative day, JULY 21), 2003

Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. MILLER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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 “Cumberland Island
5 National Seashore Wilderness Boundary Act of 2003”.

6 SEC. 2. CUMBERLAND ISLAND WILDERNESS BOUNDARY AD-

7 JUSTMENT.

8 Public Law 97-250 (96 Stat. 709) is amended by
9 striking section 2 and inserting the following:

1 **“SEC. 2. CUMBERLAND ISLAND WILDERNESS.**2 “(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:3 “(1) **MAP.**—The term ‘map’ means the map en-
4 titled ‘Cumberland Island Wilderness’, numbered
5 640/20,038F, and dated April 2003.6 “(2) **SECRETARY.**—The term ‘Secretary’ means
7 the Secretary of the Interior.8 “(3) **WILDERNESS.**—The term ‘Wilderness’
9 means the Cumberland Island Wilderness estab-
10 lished by subsection (b).11 “(b) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—12 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Approximately 10,830
13 acres of land in the Cumberland Island National
14 Seashore depicted on the map as “Wilderness” is
15 designated as a component of the National Wilder-
16 ness Preservation System and shall be known as the
17 ‘Cumberland Island Wilderness’.18 “(2) **EXCLUSIONS.**—The roadways depicted on
19 the map as the ‘Main Road’, the ‘Plum Orchard
20 Spur’, and the ‘North Cut Road’ shall not be in-
21 cluded in the Wilderness.22 “(c) **ADDITIONAL LAND.**—In addition to the land
23 designated under subsection (b), the Secretary shall—24 “(1) on acquisition of the approximately 210
25 acres of land identified on the map as “The Nature

1 Conservancy”, adjust the boundary of the Wilderness
2 to include the land; and

3 “(2) on publication in the Federal Register of
4 a notice that all uses of the approximately 10,500
5 acres of land depicted on the map as ‘Potential Wil-
6 derness’ that are prohibited under the Wilderness
7 Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) have ceased, adjust the
8 boundary of the Wilderness to include the land.

9 “(d) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be on
10 file and available for public inspection in the appropriate
11 offices of the National Park Service.

12 “(e) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing
13 rights, the Wilderness shall be administered by the Sec-
14 retary, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the
15 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) governing areas
16 designated by that Act as wilderness areas, except that—

17 “(1) any reference in such provisions to the ef-
18 fective date of that Act shall be deemed to be a ref-
19 erence to the effective date of this Act; and

20 “(2) where appropriate, any reference in that
21 Act to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed
22 to be a reference to the Secretary.

23 “(f) EFFECT.—Any person with a right to utility
24 service on Cumberland Island on the date of enactment
25 of this subsection shall continue to have the right to utility

1 service in the Wilderness after the date of enactment of
2 this subsection.”.

3 **SEC. 3. TOURS OF CUMBERLAND ISLAND NATIONAL SEA-**
4 **SHORE.**

5 Section 6 of Public Law 92–536 (86 Stat. 1066) is
6 amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b), by inserting “, except as
8 provided in subsection (c),” before “no development
9 of the project”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(c) TOURS OF THE SEASHORE.—Notwithstanding
12 subsection (b), the Secretary may enter into 1 or more
13 concession contracts, as the Secretary determines appro-
14 priate, for the provision of tours for visitors to the sea-
15 shore that are consistent with—

16 “(1) this Act;

17 “(2) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
18 seq.); and

19 “(3) Public Law 97–250 (96 Stat. 709).”.

